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in... THE WAR CHIEF

RUNNING WOLF, THE LAST OF THE WAR CHIEFS, HAD NEVER BEEN BEATEN IN BATTLE! THE RENEGADE BRAVES WHO FOLLOWED HIM REFUSED TO RESPECT THE PEACE TREATIES ALREADY SIGNED! THEY WANTED WAR... AND THE CHEYENNE KID DECIDED TO GIVE THEM WHAT THEY WANTED!

CHEYENNE KID

THE CHEYENNE KID WAS PUZZLED! WHY DID TRADITIONAL ENEMIES RIDE THE SAME TRAIL? HE TURNED HIS BACK FOR A MOMENT AND...

CHEYENNE KID

TRACKING A BIRD ACROSS THE SKY IS OFTEN EASIER THAN TRACKING AN INDIAN ON FOOT; BUT THE CHEYENNE KID DID IT EASILY...

THE BRAVES HAD BEEN SET TO TEAR THE CHEYENNE KID DOWN ... BUT HIS CHALLENGE STOPPED THEM ; THEY WANTED TO SEE SUCH A FIGHT...
WE WILL FIGHT WITH TOMAHAWKS! YOU WILL BE LIKE A CHILD IN BATTLE!
TALK IT UP, RUNNIN' WOLF,' AN' GET OUT THE HARDWARE!
BE READY! IS YOUR TOMAHAWK SATISFACTORY!
NEVER DID LIKE 'EM! COME ON...
...I'LL DO THIS BAREHANDED!
RUNNING WOLF STRUCK WITH MURDEROUS SPEED ...BUT THE CHEYENNE KEPT DODGING. UNTIL ...
YUH HAD ENOUGH CHANCES, CHIEF! NOW, IT'S MY TURN!
I'M SURE GLAD YUH FOUGHT THAT WAY! I WAS AFRAID YUH'D TRY ME WITH A WAR LANCE AN' SHIELD ON HORSEBACK!
THAT IS OUR NEXT TEST, CHEYENNE OUTCAST!
RUNNING WOLF IS SURE TO WIN,' AND WHEN YOU HIT THE EARTH, WE WILL BE WAITING!
DON'T HOLD YORE BREATH-- YUH'LL TURN BLUE!

THE BRAVES GATHERED, AND RUNNING WOLF, EXPERT WITH LANCE AND SHIELD, KICKED HIS PONY INTO A RUN! THE CHEYENNE KID MET HIS CHARGE...

I LEARNED THIS WAY O' FIGHTIN' TOO, RUNNIN' WOLF.' OVER YUH GO.'

YAHOO! GO, BOY! THEM BRAVES'LL BE ON OUR HEELS IN A FEW SECONDS-- AN' THEY'LL NEVER GIVE UP.'

THE CHEYENNE KID HAD A LEAD, AND TIME TO HIDE HIS TRAIL! BUT HE LEFT ENOUGH TRACE TO LET THEM FOLLOW SLOWLY...

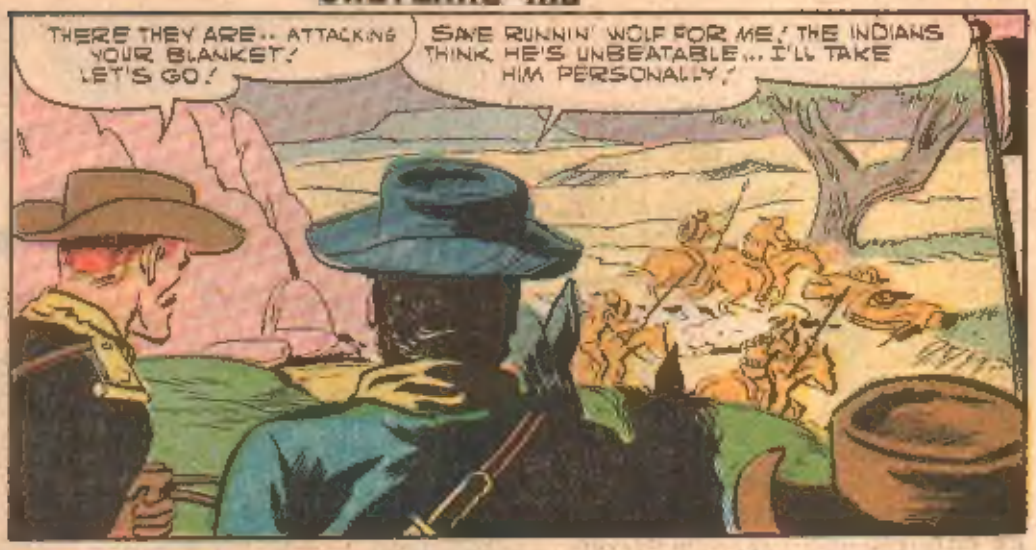
HE IS NOT FAR, NORTH OF HERE, THAT WAY!

THEY'RE ABOUT TWO MILES SOUTH OF ME,' AND MAJOR BEATTY'S PATROL IS ON THE RIDGE.' I'LL LEAD THE BRAVES UP TO BEATTY!

RUNNING WOLF'S WAR PARTY CLOSED IN ON THE CHEYENNE KID FAST.' THEY SPOTTED HIS HORSE AND BLANKET ROLL JUST BEFORE DAWN...

NO.' FINISH THE CHEYENNE TRAITOR.'

BUT THE CHEYENNE KID WASN'T IN HIS BLANKET ROLL! HE WAS ON A SPUR ABOVE WITH MAJOR BEATTY OF THE U.S. CAVALRY...



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GUNSLICK'S VICTIM

JOHNNY DEUCE WAS ON THE PROD -- HE WAS LOOKING FOR TROUBLE, A TARGET FOR HIS GUNS! HE'D BACKED DOWN, SHOWED FEAR WHEN JOHN RINGO CHALLENGED HIM! NOW, HE HAD TO REGAIN FACE! AND HE PICKED BILL TAYLOR, A DUDE WHO DIDN'T KNOW A COLT FROM A SPRINGFIELD TO DO IT!

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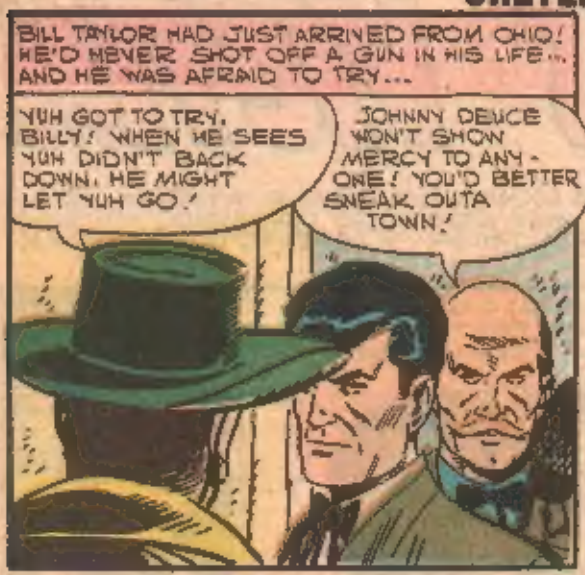

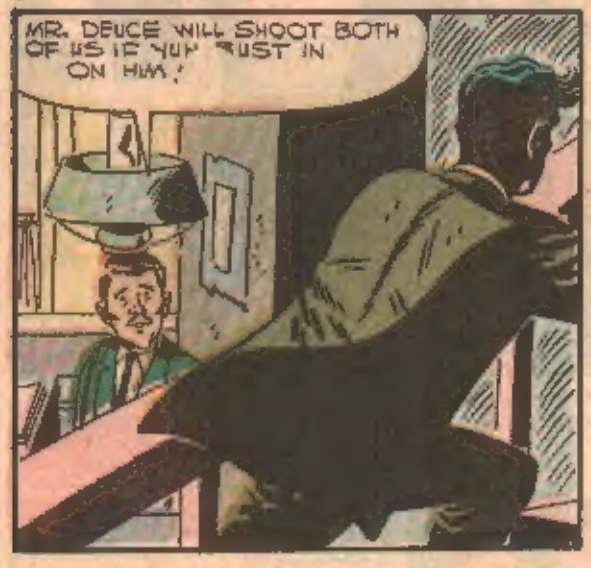

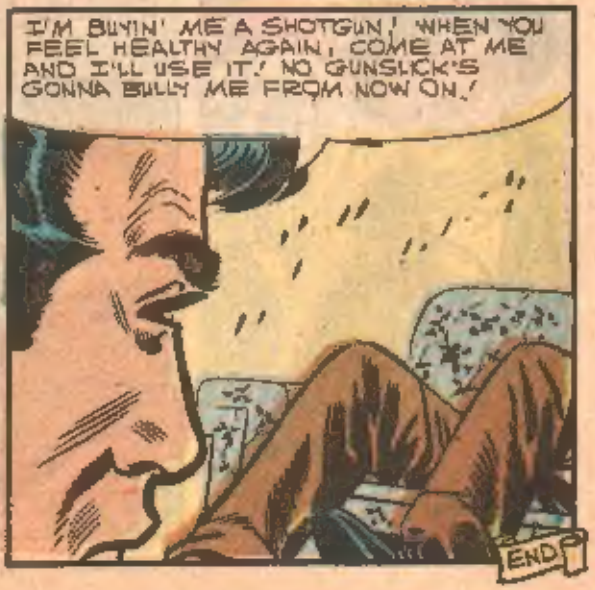

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CHEYENNE KID in the WATERHOLE of DOOM

Part 1

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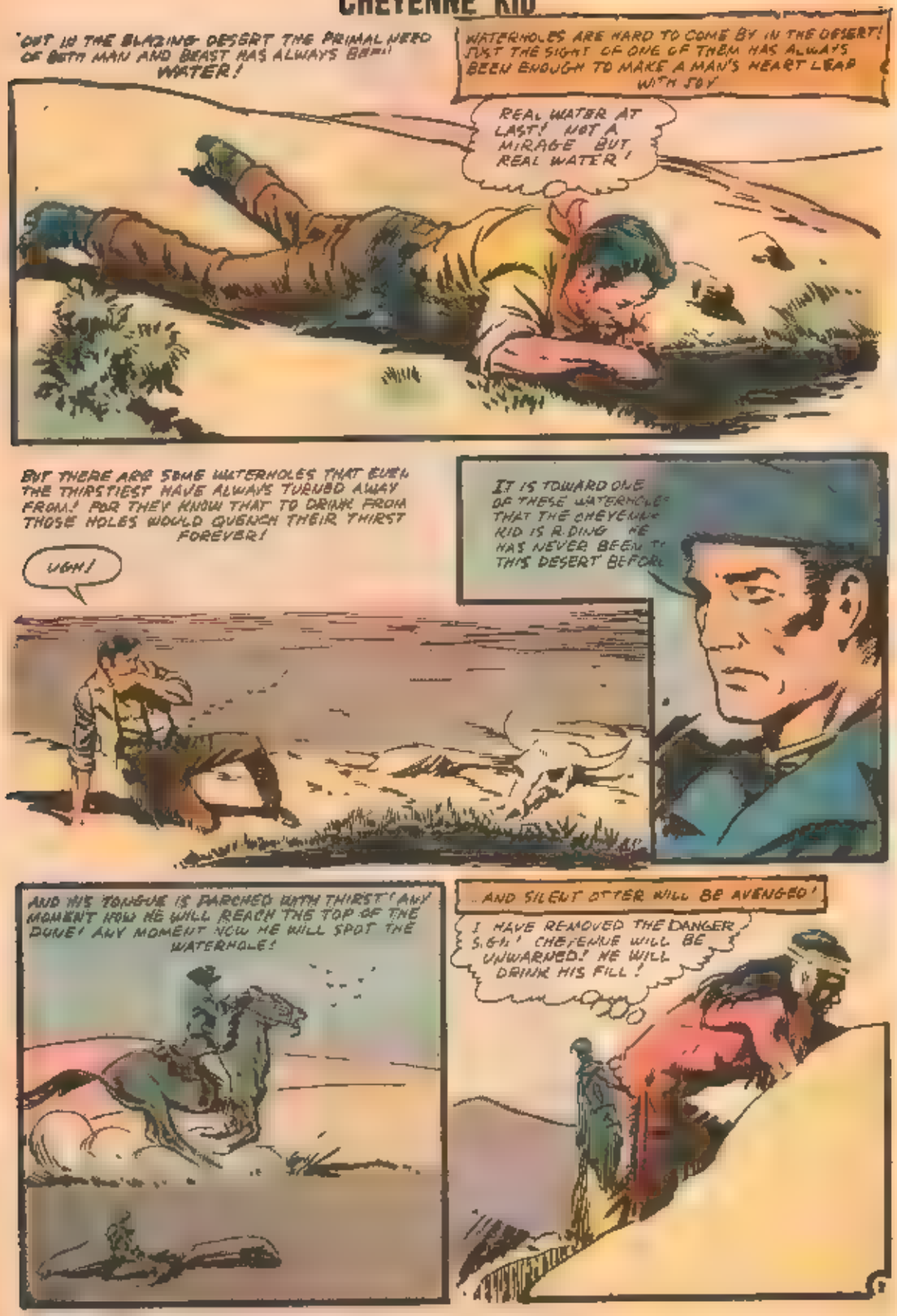

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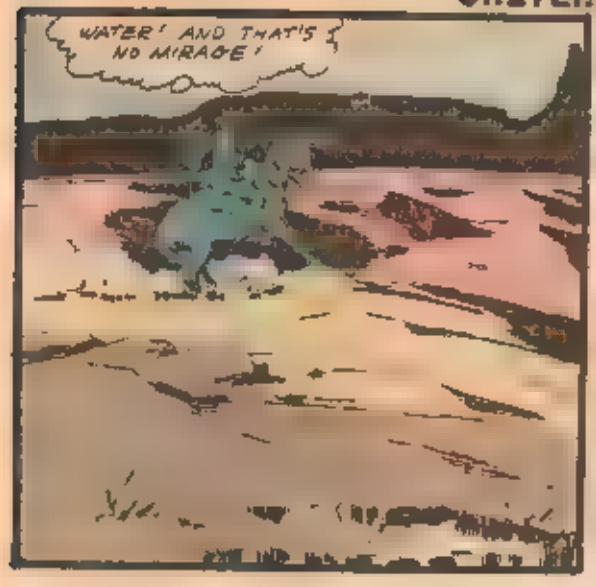

HOW HAS ALL THIS COME TO PASS? WHAT WERE THE THREADS OF CIRCUMSTANCE THAT HAVE LED THE CHEYENNE KID TO THE BRINK OF DISASTER?

THE RESULT OF THAT FIGHT WAS TWOFOLD! THE INDIAN WAR THAT SILENT OTTER HAD TRIED TO FOMENT, WAS AVERTED!

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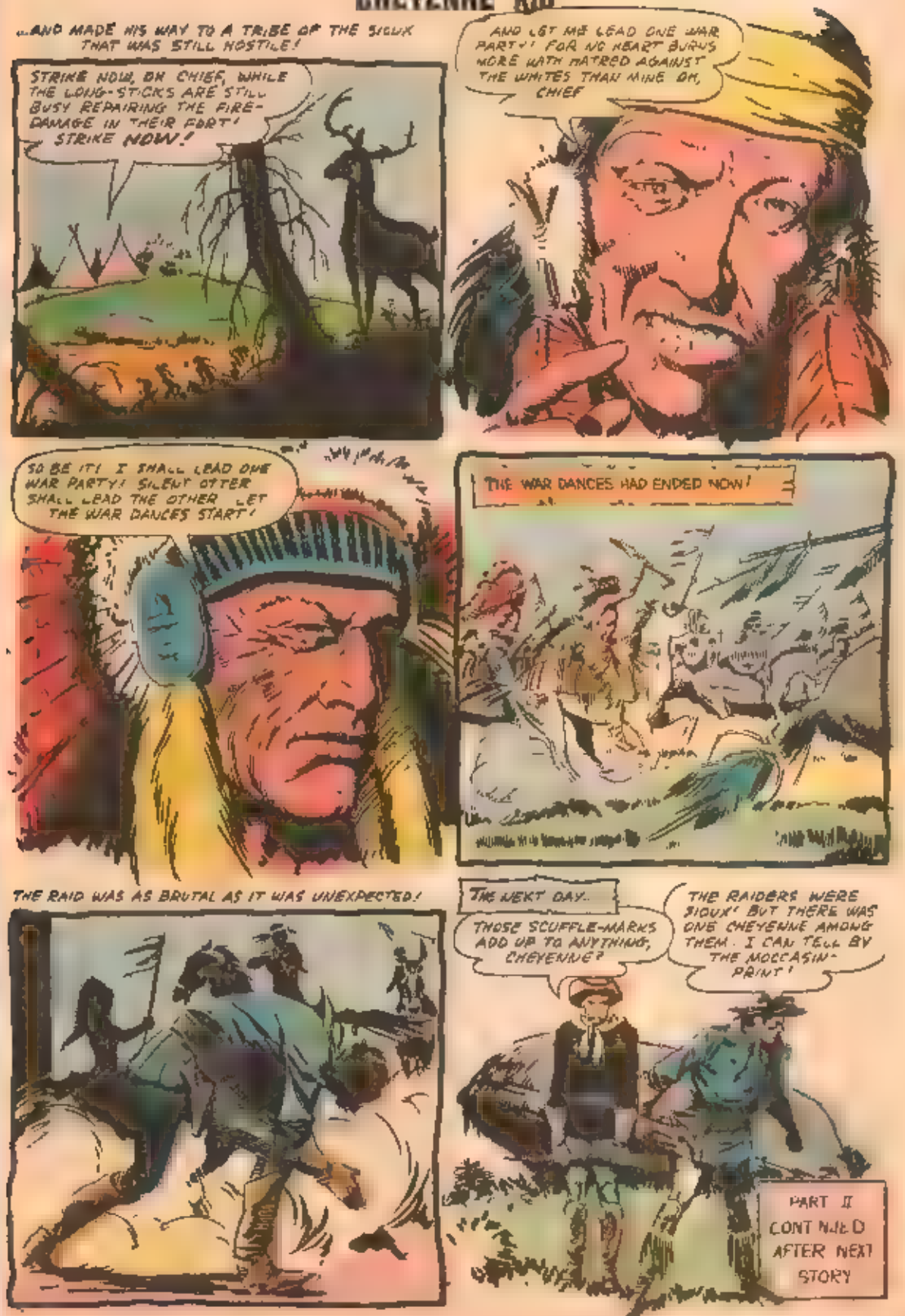
..AND MADE HIS WAY TO A TRIBE OF THE SIOUX THAT WAS STILL HOSTILE!
STRIKE NOW, OH CHIEF, WHILE THE LONG-STICKS ARE STILL BUSY REPAIRING THE FIRE-DAMAGE IN THEIR FORT! STRIKE NOW!
AND LET ME LEAD ONE WAR PARTY! FOR NO HEART BURNS MORE WITH HATRED AGAINST THE WHITES THAN MINE OH, CHIEF
SO BE IT! I SHALL LEAD ONE WAR PARTY! SILENT OTTER SHALL LEAD THE OTHER LET THE WAR DANCES START!
THE WAR DANCES HAD ENDED NOW!
THE RAID WAS AS BRUTAL AS IT WAS UNEXPECTED!
THE NEXT DAY..
THOSE SCUFFLE-MARKS ADD UP TO ANYTHING, CHEYENNE?
THE RAIDERS WERE SIOUX! BUT THERE WAS ONE CHEYENNE AMONG THEM. I CAN TELL BY THE MOCCASIN-PRINT!
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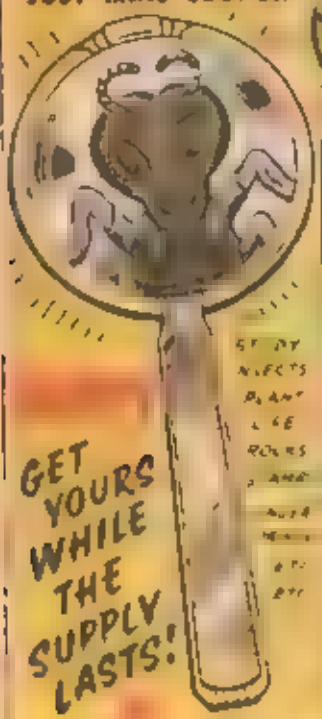

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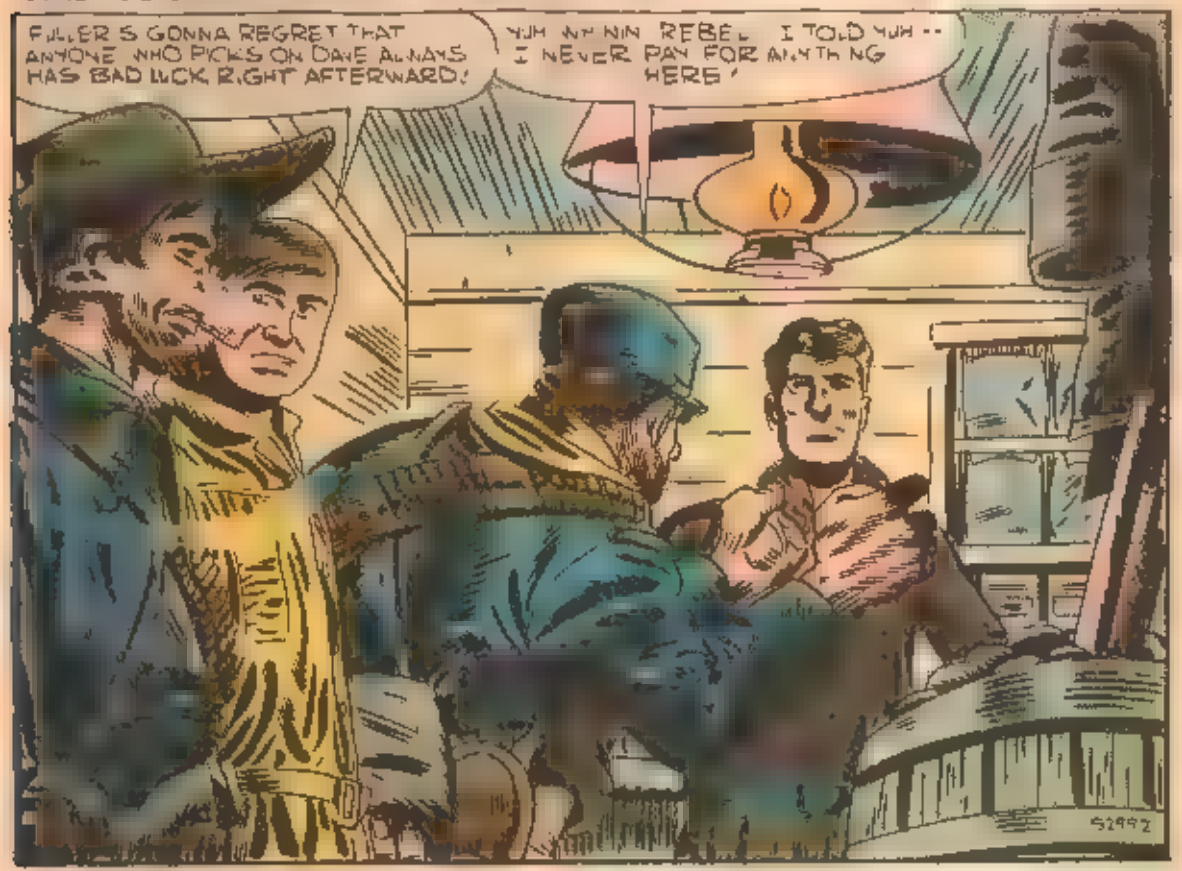

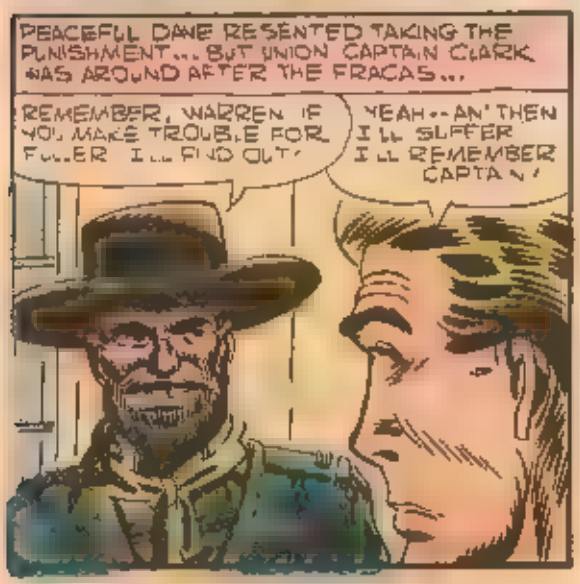

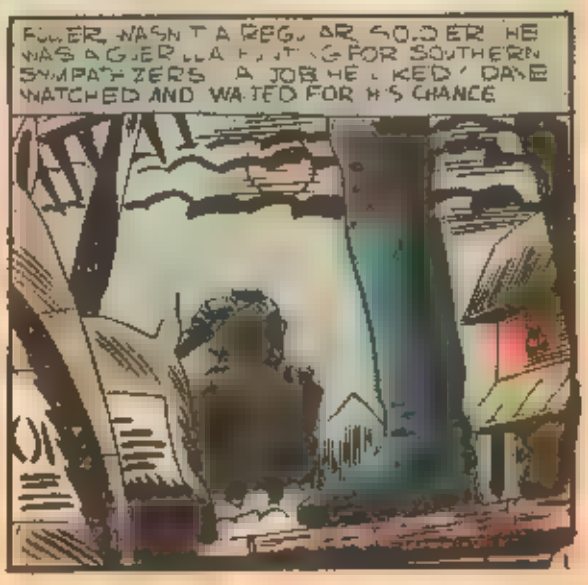

FULLER'S GONE
GET THE SUPPLIES!
HERE WHEN YUH GET BACK!
SHUT UP! START TAKIN' YOUR PLACE OVER!
FULLER! I DON'T BLAME THE YANKEES FOR MEN LIKE YOU! YOU'RE AN
ABOUT THIS!

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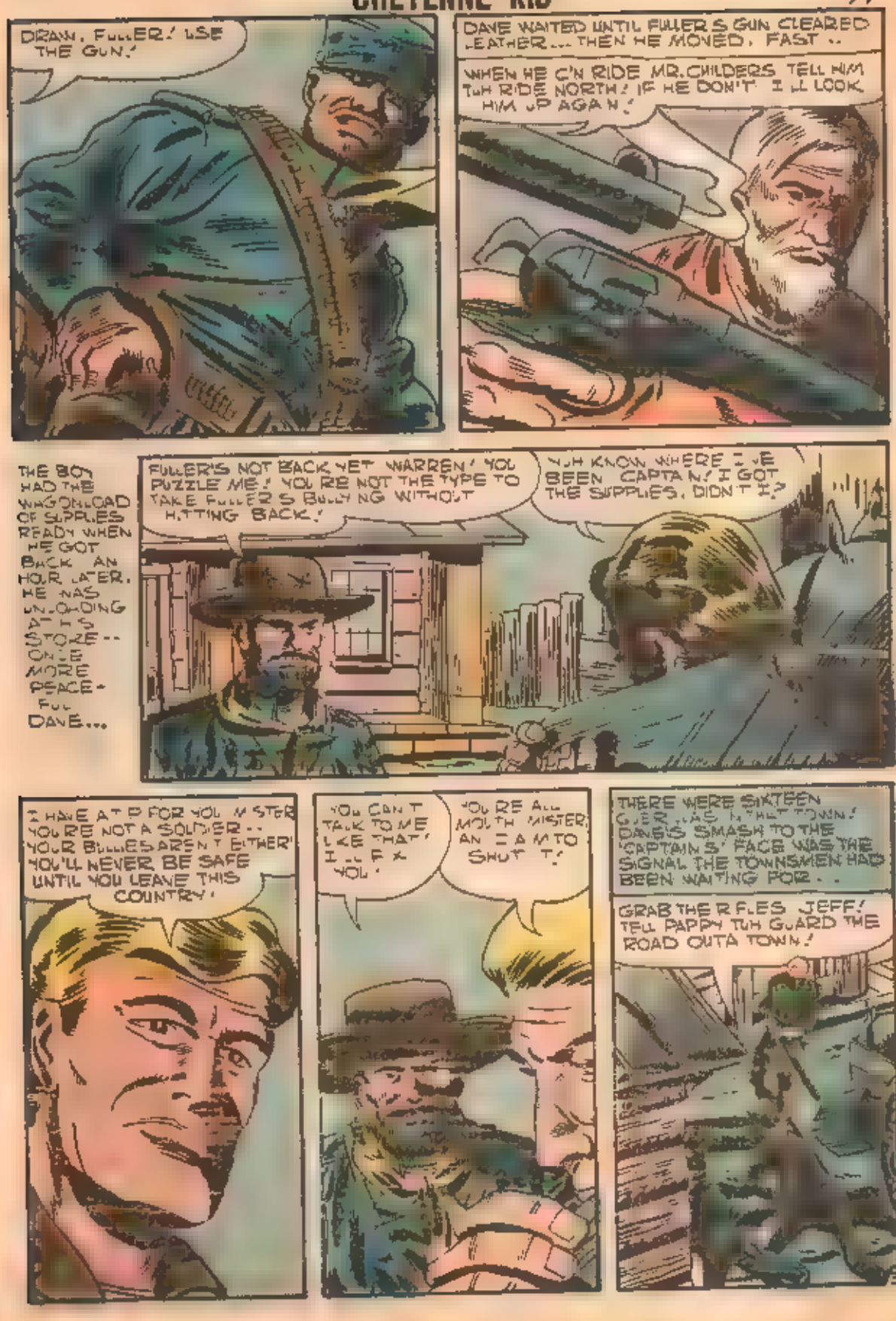

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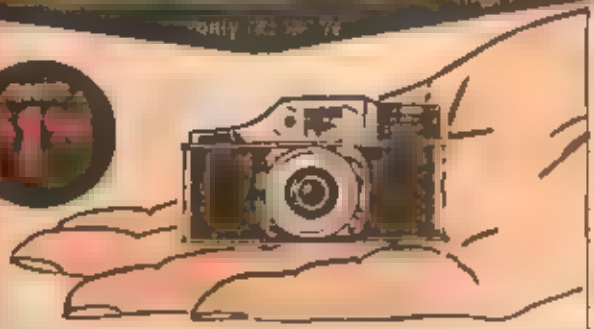

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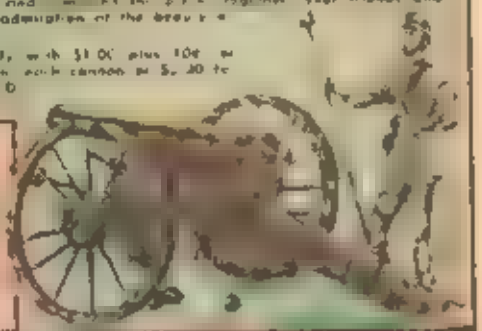

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in the WATERHOLE of DOOM

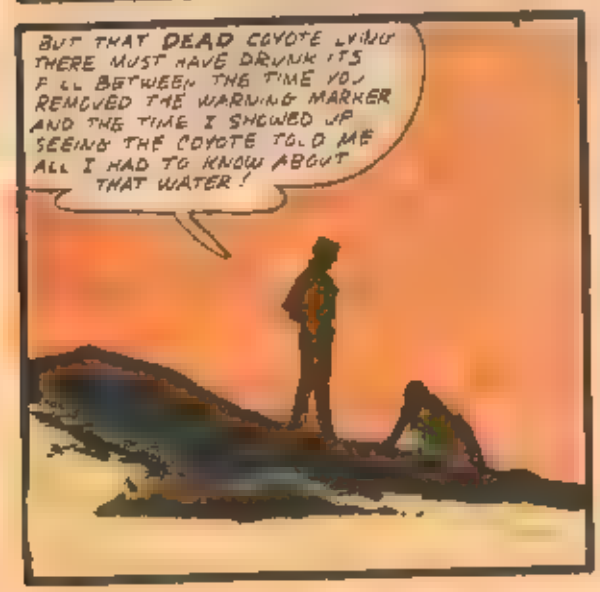
Part 2

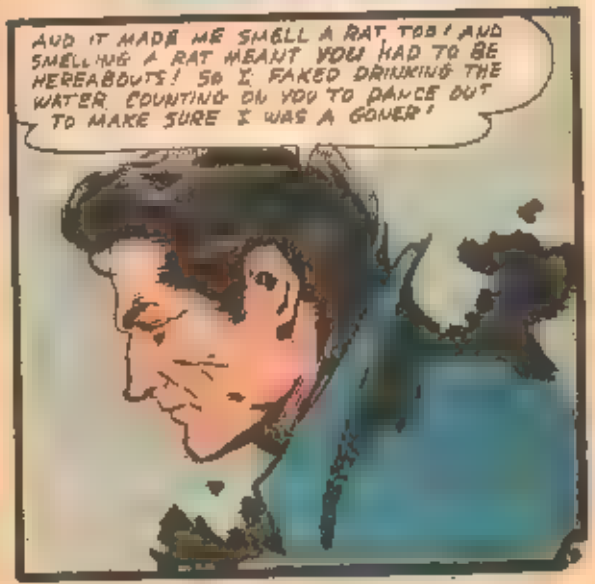
THE CHEYENNE KID HAS TURNED HIS HORSE! HE GIVES CHASE TO SILENT OTTER!
SILENT OTTER HAS MUCH CRAFTINESS.. ENOUGH TO DO AS HE SAID... TO LEAD HIS ENEMY TO HIS DOOM!
THE CHASE LASTED THROUGH MANY LONG SUN-BAKED DAYS AND MANY LONG COLD NIGHTS! SO GREAT THE STRING OF FRESH HORSES HE HAD TAKEN WITH HIM SILENT OTTER STAYED AHEAD OF THE CHEYENNE KID!
AND AS SILENT OTTER RODE HE KEPT SMILING CRAFTILY!
CHEYENNE DOES NOT REALIZE THAT I AM LURING HIM INTO A DESERT THAT HE HAS NEVER CROSSED BEFORE!
THAT BY THE TIME HE REACHES A CERTAIN WATERHOLE HE SHALL BE FEELING MUCH THIRST AND SINCE I SHALL REMOVE THE WARNING SIGN HE SHALL DRINK HIS FILL OF UNSAFE WATER!
A FEW NIGHTS LATER.
DANGER
THESE WERE THE THREADS OF CIRCUMSTANCE THAT HAVE BROUGHT THIS TO PASS AND NOW AS IF PROPELLED BY PARCHING THIRST, THE CHEYENNE KID BREAKS INTO A RUN CLOSER AND CLOSER HE COMES..
TO HIS DOOM!

ALREADY HE FEELS THE TASTE INSIDE HIM! BUT IT IS TOO LATE!
THE CHASE HAS ENDED AS I FORETOLD! AND NOW BEFORE CHEYENNE'S EYES CLOSE FOREVER LET ME STRIDE FORWARD!
LET THE LAST THING HE SEES BEFORE HE CLOSES HIS EYES FOREVER, BE HIS MORTAL ENEMY!
SLEEPY TER WHO LURED HIM TO HIS DOOM STANDING VICTORIOUSLY OVER HIM
HU?!

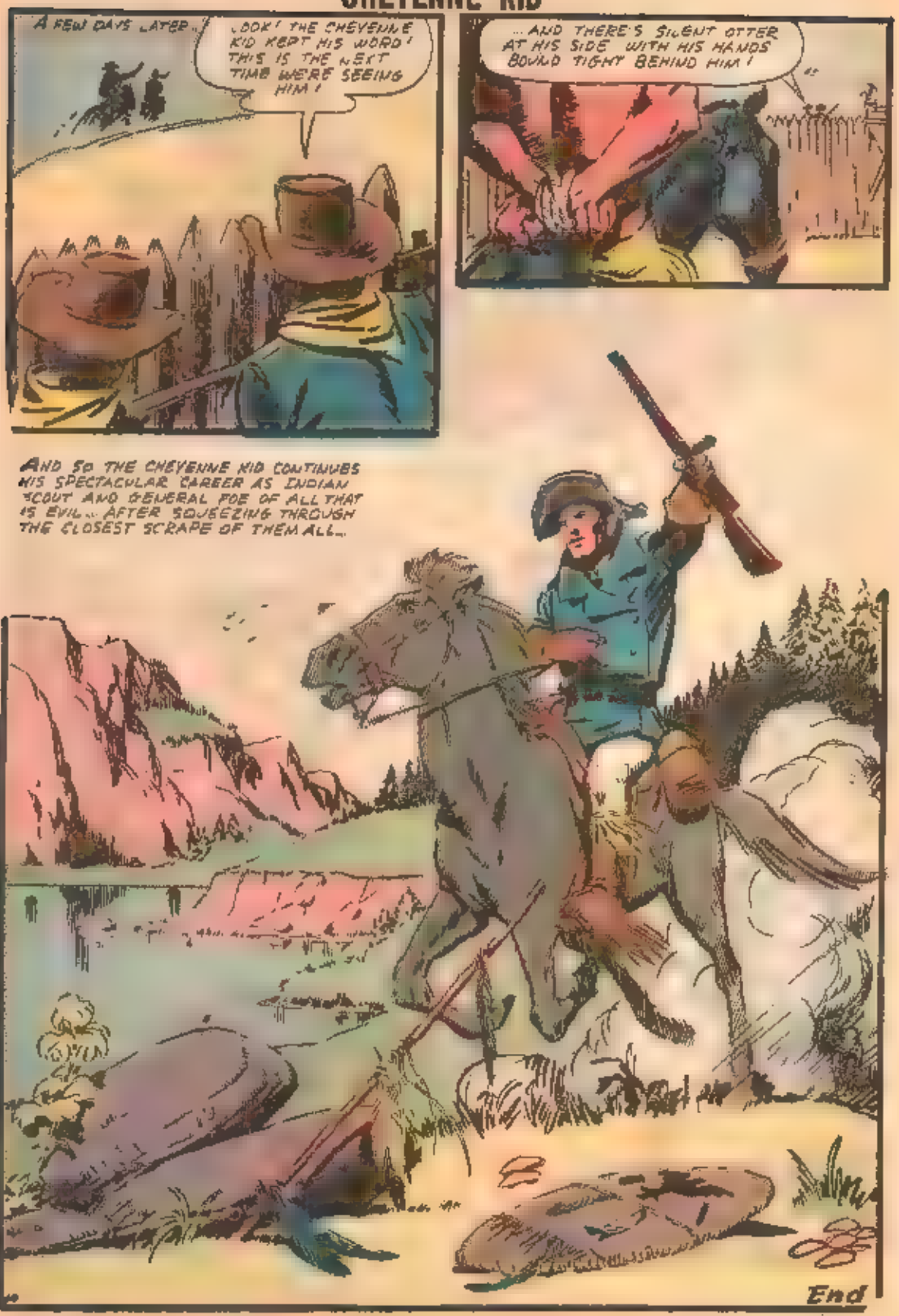
AGAIN YOU ARE TOO STRONG FOR ME. BUT HOW CAN THIS BE? DID YOU NOT GASP, DRUNK OF THE BAD WATER?
NO, SILENT OTTER! I DIDN'T DRINK THE WATER

THERE WAS NO SIGN AND I'D NEVER HAVE KNOWN THE HOLE TO BE IMPURE IF NOT FOR ONE THING YOU COULDN'T SEE FROM WHERE YOU WERE HIDING, BECAUSE A RISE IN THE SAND BLOCKED YOUR VIEW!


BUT THAT DEAD COYOTE LYING THERE MUST HAVE DRUNK ITS FILL BETWEEN THE TIME YOU REMOVED THE WARNING MARKER AND THE TIME I SHOWED UP SEEING THE COYOTE TOLD ME ALL I HAD TO KNOW ABOUT THAT WATER!


AND IT MADE ME SMELL A RAT TOO! AND SMELLING A RAT MEANT YOU HAD TO BE HEREABOUTS! SO I FAKED DRINKING THE WATER COUNTING ON YOU TO DANCE OUT TO MAKE SURE I WAS A GONER!

CHEYENNE KID



"MAJORS' MAJOR ADVENTURE WITH INDIANS"

Alexander Majors spent his life in the West of a growing America. He was the genius who created the Pony Express. And today we are going to interview him, in regard to an adventure he had with Indians. He is now retired and we visit him in the living room of his ranch, because the years are beginning to tell on him, he no longer does any active work. His eyes are still bright and he insists he could stay in the saddle all day long. He is ready to speak:

"In the early part of June, 1850, I loaded my train, consisting of ten wagons, drawn by 130 Oxen at Kansas City, Mo. In it, was merchandise destined for Santa Fe, N.M. a distance of about eight hundred miles, so I started out on my long trip.

I was then out some eight or ten days and travelling through what was then called Indian Territory. Four years later it was organized and called Kansas. Arriving one evening at a stream known as One Hundred and Ten, I camped for the night, unyoked my oxen and turned them upon the grass. Finding the grass so good and the animals weary with the day's work I thought they would not stroll away. Therefore I did not put any guard, as was my custom.

I arose at early dawn the following morning saddled my horse, which by the way was a good one. I then told my assistant to arouse the teamsters, so they could be ready to yoke their teams as soon as I drove them into the corral, which was formed by the wagons.

I rounded up what was supposed to be all the herd, but in rounding them up before reaching the wagons, I discovered that there were a number of them missing. I then made a circle, leaving the ones I had herded together. I had not travelled very far when I struck the trail of the missing oxen. It was very plain and I could ride my horse on a gallop and keep track of it.

I had not traveled more than a mile, when I discovered the tracks of Indian ponies. I then knew the Indians had driven off my oxen, thinking quiedy I remembered I was unarmed. I did not think it was necessary to take my gun when I left the wagons. We had not yet reached the portion of the territory where we would expect to meet hostile Indians. So I went ahead on the trail thinking it was some half-friendly ones that had driven my oxen away, as they sometimes did in order to get a fee for finding and bringing them back again.

I expected to overtake them at any moment, for the trail looked very fresh as though they were only a short distance ahead of me. So on and on I went, galloping my horse most of the time, until I had gone about twelve miles from my camp. I passed through a skirt of timber that divided one portion of the open prairie from the other, And there I overtook thirty-four head of my oxen resting from their travel.

About sixty yards to the east of the cattle were six painted Indian braves. They had dismounted from their horses, each one leaning against his horse with his right hand resting upon his saddle. I came upon them suddenly, the timber prevented them from seeing me, until I was within a few rods of them. I threw up my hand, went in a lope around my oxen, giving some hideous yells, and told the cattle they could go back to the wagons on the trail they had come. They at once headed me and started. I never saw six meaner or more surprised men than those six braves. I think they thought I had an armed party just behind me, for I acted so courageously. Leaving the six Indians stand-

ing in dismay I followed my cattle ready to take them back.

The oxen and myself were soon out of sight in the forest and that is the last I saw of the six braves who had been sent out by their chief the night before to steal the oxen. Very soon after I got through the timber and into the prairie again, I met from time to time one or two Indians. They were trotting along on their ponies following the trail that the cattle made when their comrades drove them off. When within a short distance of the herd they would leave the trail and leave plenty of space to the cattle. They would fall in behind me and trot on toward the six braves I had left.

I will say here that I began to feel very much elated over my success in capturing my cattle from six armed Indians and being given the right of way by other parties also armed. But I did not have to travel very far under the pleasant reflection that I was a hero. When I was about half way back to the wagons I looked ahead about half a mile. There I saw a large body of Indians comprising some twenty-five warriors, that proved to be under the command of their chief. They were armed and coming toward me. I began to feel a little smaller than I had a few minutes previously, for I was entirely unarmed. Even if I had been armed, what would I have done against 25 Indians?

My fears were very soon realized. For when they arrived within a few hundred yards of me and the chief saw me returning with the cattle he had sent his braves to drive off, he went into action. He commanded his men to make a descent upon me and he undertook the job of leading them. They raised a hideous yell and started toward me.

If my oxen had not been driven so far and become so exhausted, I would have had a royal stampede. The animals only ran a few hundred yards until I succeeded in holding them up. By this time the Indians had reached me and my cattle. The braves surrounded the cattle, the chief came at the top of his horse's speed directly toward me with his gun drawn up in a striking attitude. Of course I did not allow him to get in reaching distance. I turned my horse and put spur to him. He was a splendid animal and it was easy for me to keep out of the reach of the chief. His desire was to scare, not to kill me, or cause me to run away and leave my herd.

Thus chasing me off for some distance was repeated three times.

I returned in close proximity each time to where his braves surrounded the cattle on every side. Some were on foot, holding their ponies and others were on horseback. Those who had alighted were dancing and yelling at the top of their voices. In line between me and the group of braves, were the chief and one of his braves, armed with bow and arrow.

When I got within thirty or forty yards of him he beckoned me to come to him; signs were our only communications. I rode cautiously up to the chief, with our horses' heads in the same direction. When I stopped to see what he was going to do, the brave slid off his horse. He made a lunge to catch the bridle of my horse, when suddenly the animal jumped quickly moving far enough so the brave missed getting hold of the rein.

Had he succeeded in the attempt they would have taken my horse and oxen and cleared out leaving me standing on the prairie. The brave remounted and the chief rode slowly toward me. When they got within a few feet of me, they reined up their ponies. The brave suddenly drew his bow at full bend with a sharp pointed steel in the end of the arrow. He aimed at my heart.

Of course there was no time for doing anything but to keep my eye steadfast on his. While in this position he pronounced the word "say" with all the force he could summon. I did not at that time understand what he meant. The chief relieved my suspense by holding up his ten fingers and pointing to the oxen. I then understood that if I gave him ten of my animals he would not put the arrow through my heart. I felt that I could not spare that number and move my train to its destination. So I refused.

He then threw up five fingers and motioned to the cattle. Again I shook my head. He then motioned to me to say how many I would give and I held up one finger. The moment I did so he gave the word of command to his braves. They whirled into line and selected one of the animals. Then they left me and the rest on the prairie.

I had held them there so long refusing to let them go without following them that I think they were afraid some of my party would overtake me. I did feel helpless on this occasion. To give them the animals would have been financial ruin. Yet I kept all but one — and also my life. So it wasn't such a terrible adventure at that when I look back at it."

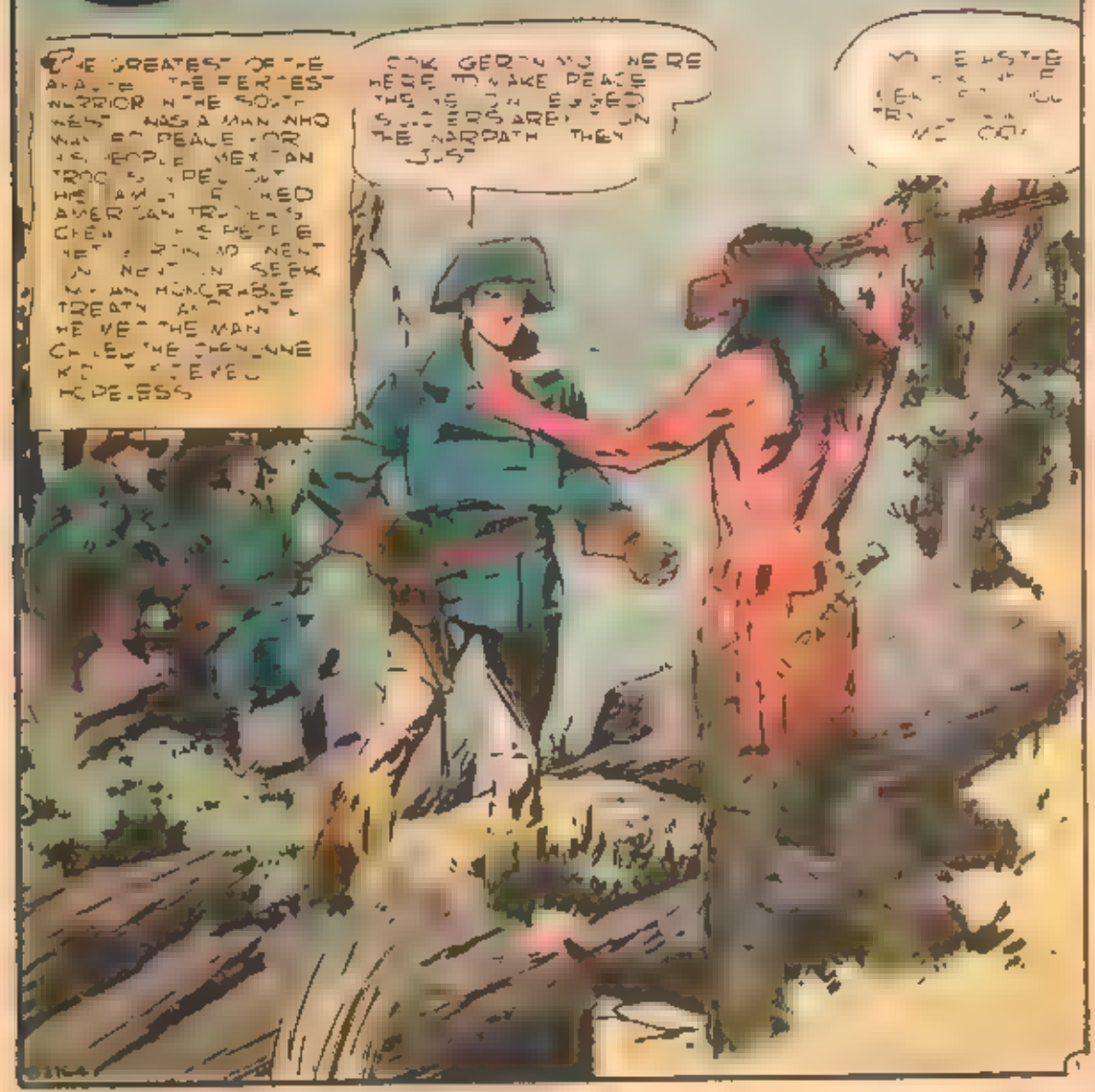
Some time in the future we will again pay a visit to this famous pioneer and listen to more of his tales about the early West.

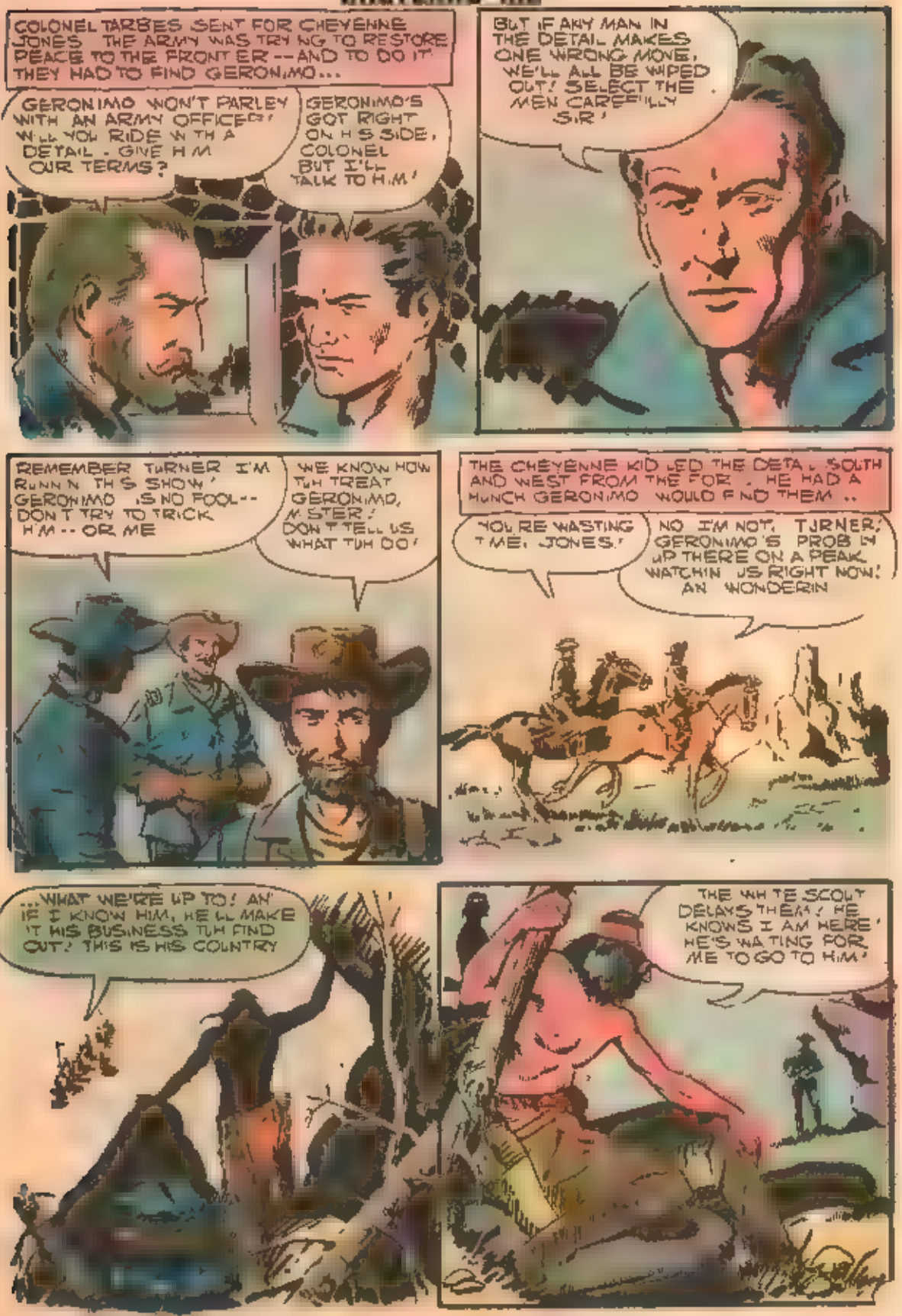
THE END —

CHEYENNE KID

GERONIMO THE WAR CHIEF of THE APACHES

PART I



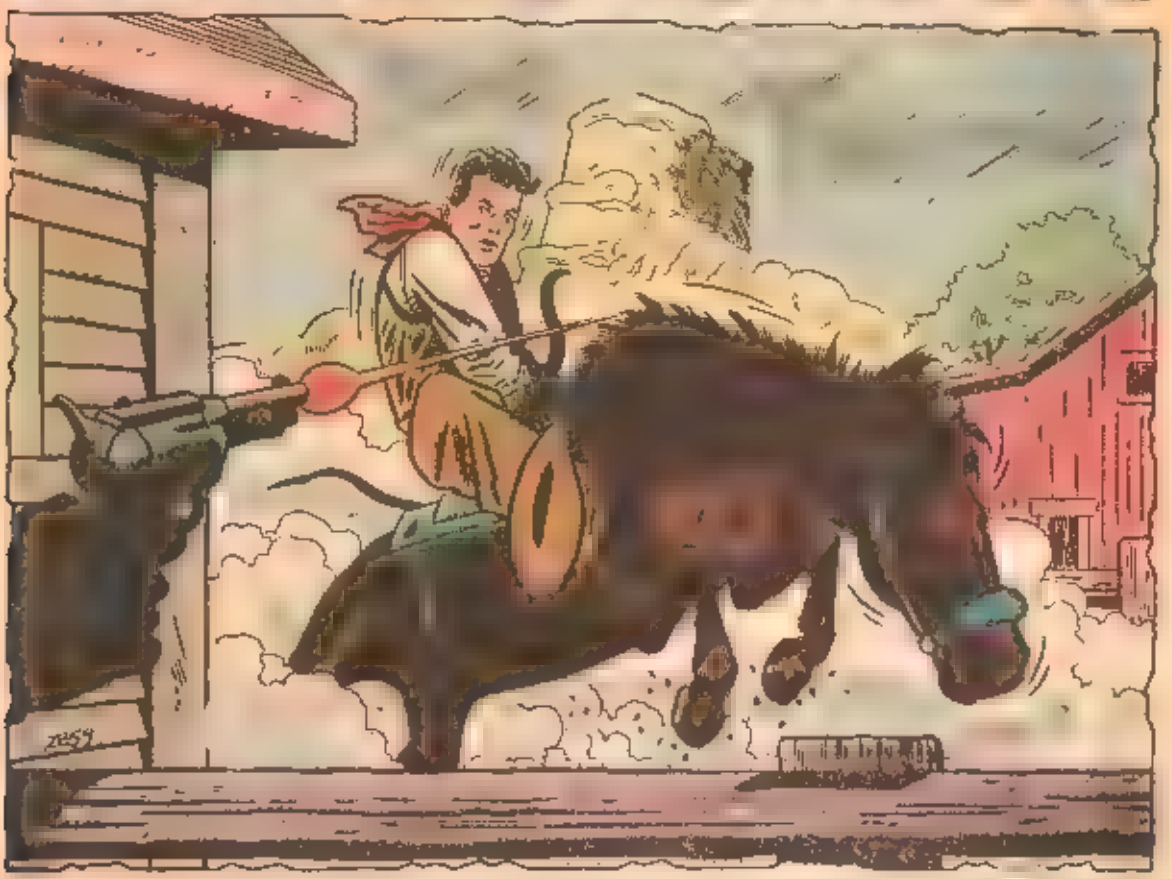

COLONEL TARBES SENT FOR CHEYENNE JONES THE ARMY WAS TRYING TO RESTORE PEACE TO THE FRONTIER -- AND TO DO IT THEY HAD TO FIND GERONIMO...
GERONIMO WON'T PARLEY WITH AN ARMY OFFICER! WILL YOU RIDE WITH A DETAIL - GIVE HIM OUR TERMS?
GERONIMO'S GOT RIGHT ON HIS SIDE, COLONEL BUT I'LL TALK TO HIM!
BUT IF ANY MAN IN THE DETAIL MAKES ONE WRONG MOVE, WE'LL ALL BE WIPED OUT! SELECT THE MEN CAREFULLY SIR!
REMEMBER TURNER I'M RUNNIN THIS SHOW! GERONIMO IS NO FOOL-- DON'T TRY TO TRICK HIM -- OR ME
WE KNOW HOW TUH TREAT GERONIMO, MISTER! DON'T TELL US WHAT TUH DO!
THE CHEYENNE KID LED THE DETAIL SOUTH AND WEST FROM THE FORT. HE HAD A HUNCH GERONIMO WOULD FIND THEM..
YOU'RE WASTING TIME, JONES!
NO I'M NOT, TURNER! GERONIMO'S PROBLY UP THERE ON A PEAK WATCHIN US RIGHT NOW! AN WONDERIN
...WHAT WE'RE UP TO! AN IF I KNOW HIM, HE'LL MAKE IT HIS BUSINESS TUH FIND OUT! THIS IS HIS COUNTRY
THE WHITE SCOUT DELAYS THEM! HE KNOWS I AM HERE! HE'S WAITING FOR ME TO GO TO HIM!

THE CHEYENNE KID DELIBERATELY MADE HIMSELF A TARGET FOR THE APACHES. HE WAS BAITING A TRAP -- USING HIMSELF FOR BAIT..
THERE'S AN INDIAN NEAR HERE SOMEWHERE I HOPE - IS GERONIMO!
WHAT. .GERONIMO! I'M THE CHEYENNE WHITE BRAVE I SAW YUH ONCE WHEN I WAS YOUNGER!
YOU ARE THE MAN CALLED CHEYENNE KID! I KNOW YOU!
WHAT DO YOU WANT IN MY COUNTRY? IF I RAISE MY ARM YOU DIE!
IF I DO, YOUR TRIBE WILL SUFFER TOO! I CAME FOR PEACE TALK CHIEF I HAVE SOLDIERS WITH ME!
THE GREAT WARRIOR'S EYES NARROWED. SOLDIERS HAD ALWAYS MEANT TRAPS TO THE APACHE ..
I WON'T LET THEM DOUBLE CROSS YUH, GERONIMO! TRUST ME!
I WILL SEE! I WILL SHOW MYSELF AGAIN WHEN YOU ARE WITH THE YELLOW LEG SOLDIERS!
IF YOU'RE SELLING US OUT CHEYENNE I'LL...
DON'T BE STUPID, TURNER! AND, REMEMBER YOUR ORDERS! WE MEAN NO HARM TO GERONIMO!

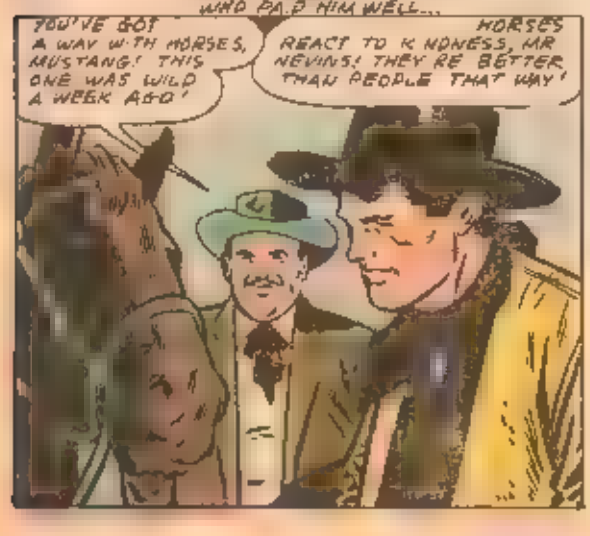
IF WE COULD FINISH OFF GERONIMO, WE'D BOTH GET PROMOTIONS! HE'D TRAP US IF HE COULD!
SHUT UP, SERGEANT! CHEYENNE JOKES MIGHT HEAR YOU
THE DETAIL RODE ON--UNTIL THE CHEYENNE KID SENSING SOMETHING HALTED THE DETAIL. HE RODE ON ALONE..
HOLD YOUR MEN TURNER! WE COME IN PEACE GERONIMO'
"THE MEN WITH YOU BEAR WEAPONS! DO THEY KNOW WHEN TO USE THEM--AND WHEN NOT TO?
THIS IS THE CHANCE I BEEN WAITIN FOR
PERHAPS HE HEARD THE SNICK OF THE HAMMER BEING COCKED PERHAPS GERONIMO SAW THE RIFLE GLEAM IN THE SUN; HOWEVER HE KNEW. HE LEAPED ASIDE.

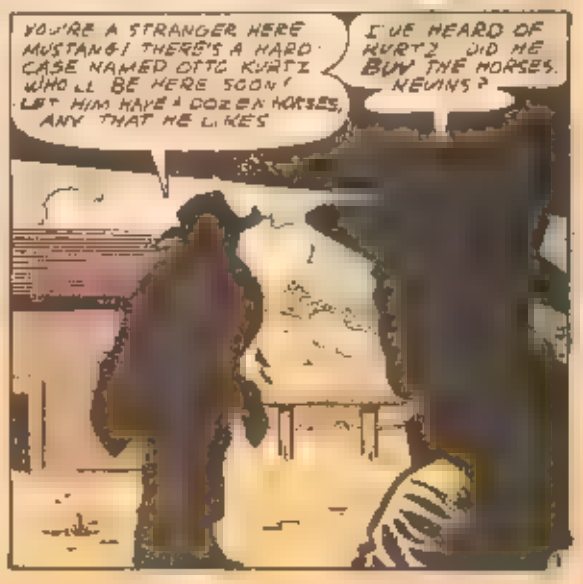
THE MAN THEY CALLED MUSTANG NEVER WORE GUNS. HE SAID HE DIDN'T NEED THEM TO TAME HORSES. AND HE DIDN'T CARE ABOUT TAMING MEN! BUT OTTO KURTZ WOULDN'T LEAVE HIM ALONE AND OTTO LEARNED THE HARD WAY THAT THE BRONC-STOMPER COULD HANDLE HUMAN OUTLAWS TOO!

BRONC-STOMPER



THE MAN THEY CALLED MUSTANG WAS GOOD AT HIS JOB! HE WORKED ON SHARES FOR DAVE NEVINS WHO PAID HIM WELL...





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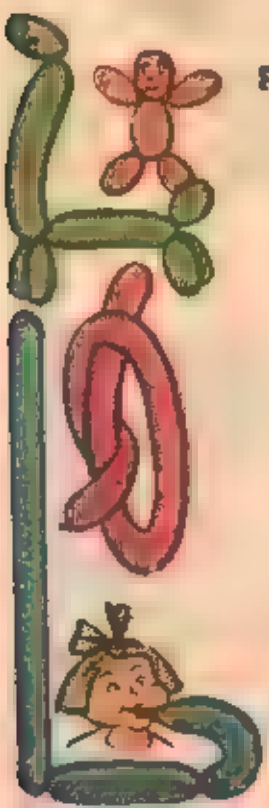

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You can be taught how to ride. Get this right into your skull. The so-called "natural" rider doesn't exist! Up where we ride in the country you hear a parent boast something like this: 'My son is a natural rider. Born to it! Why as a five year old he used to go bareback on our horse. Nothing he can't do with a horse.'

Applesauce! That kid just started early to remain on back of a horse. He may have picked up some good ideas and — also some bad ones about riding. There's a lot he can't do with horses. So you cheer up for you are going to learn to ride. Not in one day. It will take you a period of time. It would be swell if you could get an expert to help you. The only trouble is that you don't know whether or not the person is an expert. The fact that a person remains in the saddle doesn't make an expert out of him. And even if he is an expert rider — he or she must also be an expert teacher. A lot of the old timers I knew rarely ever gave a thought to the physical principles of skilled riding.

There's an old saying to the effect that the best writer on horseback riding is a horse. Unfortunately horses can't write. No doubt if they did they would be able to give us a lot of sound hints and valuable suggestions. Perhaps something like this:

'All I can do is to obey signals that have been taught to me. Honestly, I haven't the slightest idea in the world what you mean.

'In the movies you see horses do those tricks. Have a heart! I'm not a stunt horse. You want to ride, so ride."

"Maybe you are comfortable in that saddle. But I am having a tough time with it on my back. The fellow who designed that saddle ought to have given as much consideration to the horse as to the rider.'

"You certainly are giving me a tough time. The ability to make work easy for a horse is the mark of a true horseman."

'Ever hear the word balance? Go find out about it. You sit on my back like a ton of bricks. I'm more uncomfortable than you are."

"You really ought to learn something about a horse. So that when you are talking you don't sound foolish."

Now, since you are going to sit in a saddle there should be some fundamental principles for you to remember that can be helpful.

Is there a single key that can make you a good rider? I would say that you have to understand that BALANCE is the key of skilled riding because it is also the first fundamental of a good seat. But balance alone isn't sufficient. And you can see why with a bit of thinking. You are riding on your horse. You have perfect balance. Suddenly that comes right smack up against a little squirrel you never even noticed. What then? You could be on the ground with your mount doing a run-away-stunt and not for your benefit.

Evidently you must be ready to apply a strong leg grip in this situation. And it must be done in a flash of a second, almost "instinctively." If you had to think about it or decide what to do it would be too late for action. Now you can learn to grip the wrong way, that is with the knees. I know that the chances are a lot of friends have told you to grip with your knees.

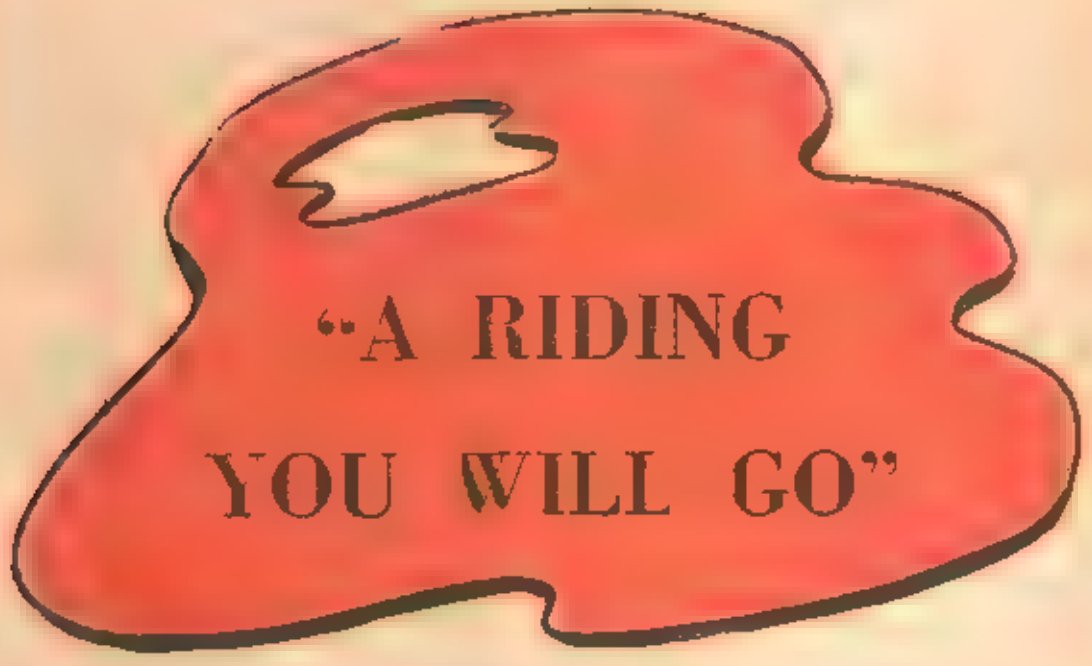
Actually you grip with your entire leg way down to the ankles. This is sound because you are using practically the entire length of the leg instead of just a portion. Got to have good muscles and you can develop them by using them. Yesterday what happened to me shouldn't even happen to the villain in the western fiction story. There was a 65 foot drop from the little bridge and my horse acted up. But I remained on his back. Not with a knee grip — for I would have been off the horse and off the bridge. But with an entire leg grip.

Something is missing from this discussion? Of course it is — now we come to it — the stirrups. Get the stirrups the proper length and you can use a foot grip and also have balance. Because with that proper stirrup length, in a flash of a second, you are ready for action with the foot in case something goes wrong.

In future articles we will take up other factors and one important one will be the handling of the reins. But at present we have you on your horses,' your feet in the stirrup, and you have your head up. Keep your heels down an inch or two lower than the ball of your foot. It is the pressure of the ball of your foot in the stirrup that does the trick. Your feet are not flapping away from the horse for if they do — how can you be ready for the emergency? Your legs are really where they should be — snug against the horse's sides and almost to the ankles.

So you are now ready. But don't — if you are a boy — go out with your girl yet to show how wonderful a rider you are. Do the riding by yourself and with a good teacher. It is possible that she is doing the same thing at the same time at another riding academy. Anyway, until the next article, pleasant riding, pardner.

THE END



During the week days I do my western r'd ng at a local place within five minutes from my home I get up early in the morning and Bucky is ready for me at the stable. I got out for an hour's ride. Back home and a shower and ready to do my western fiction and true artic·es the balance of the day Over the week ends I go up country to some of the Dude ranches and other r'd ng establishments

At the start of this week, Dickie s mothe came to me with a "sad ta e of woe 'My son would ke to r de western, but you know what I mean He just sn't a born rider Too bad "

I get this story over and over again It is just plain nonsense! You aren t born a rider And don t te me about the Indians because I have Indian blood in my veins. The redskin couldn't be a born r·der because for centur es his culture was horseless! This is a h storica fact Strictly speak ng, the first American horses were those of whose fossil remains, Clark Wissler has writ ten about with learning and authority Those animo svan shed from the scene many years ago If you go to a museum you can get an idea of what they once looked like. Horses began in h s country in the sixteenth century

The Spaniards brought them to the New Wor d At the start the nat ves here cou·d hard ly distinguish between r der and horse Both had armor Later they could see that the rider was one creature and the horse another Horses were valuable When Cortez set out from Cuba a good horse was worth four to five hundred gold pesos. A lot of money n those days and in these!

The experts disagree on how the Indians got those early horses. Some like to say that horses escaped from the Spaniards and went wild increased in numbers and were later captured by the Indians. Other experts say those horses could never have survived by themselves against stronger natural foes So they were either stolen or traded for by the ndians.

When the Ind ans got those horses they had to take care of them and break them in for r·ding or for transportation. Now right here is the essential difference between the Cowboy and the Indian on one s de and the young boy or girl on the other s de That first group rode a horse for WORK! The cowboy used his horse as a un t of WORK It took him all around the ranch and the surround·ng terr tory. It took him to town It was essentially a method of trans portation. Then he used it to check on the cattle, in the round up, in the drive, and in roping the creatures. Actua ly the life on the saddle was a sort of 'home' for the cowboy I have spoken to o d t·mers and you'd be surprised to learn how many hours a day they lived in the saddle.

The Ind an used his horse for raids on other tribes as well as on white settlements. He used it when he went hunting for the buffalo. He used it for the travois. All this was WORK! A·mong the B ackfoot it was customary for a young sing e or married man to break his own horses. Teen-aged boys broke those horses be ·ong ng to the older members of their families. Boys with plenty of nerve began breaking horses at 12 or 13 years of age Others did not try it until they were in the middle or later teens There were even a few who were afraid to break horses and never did.

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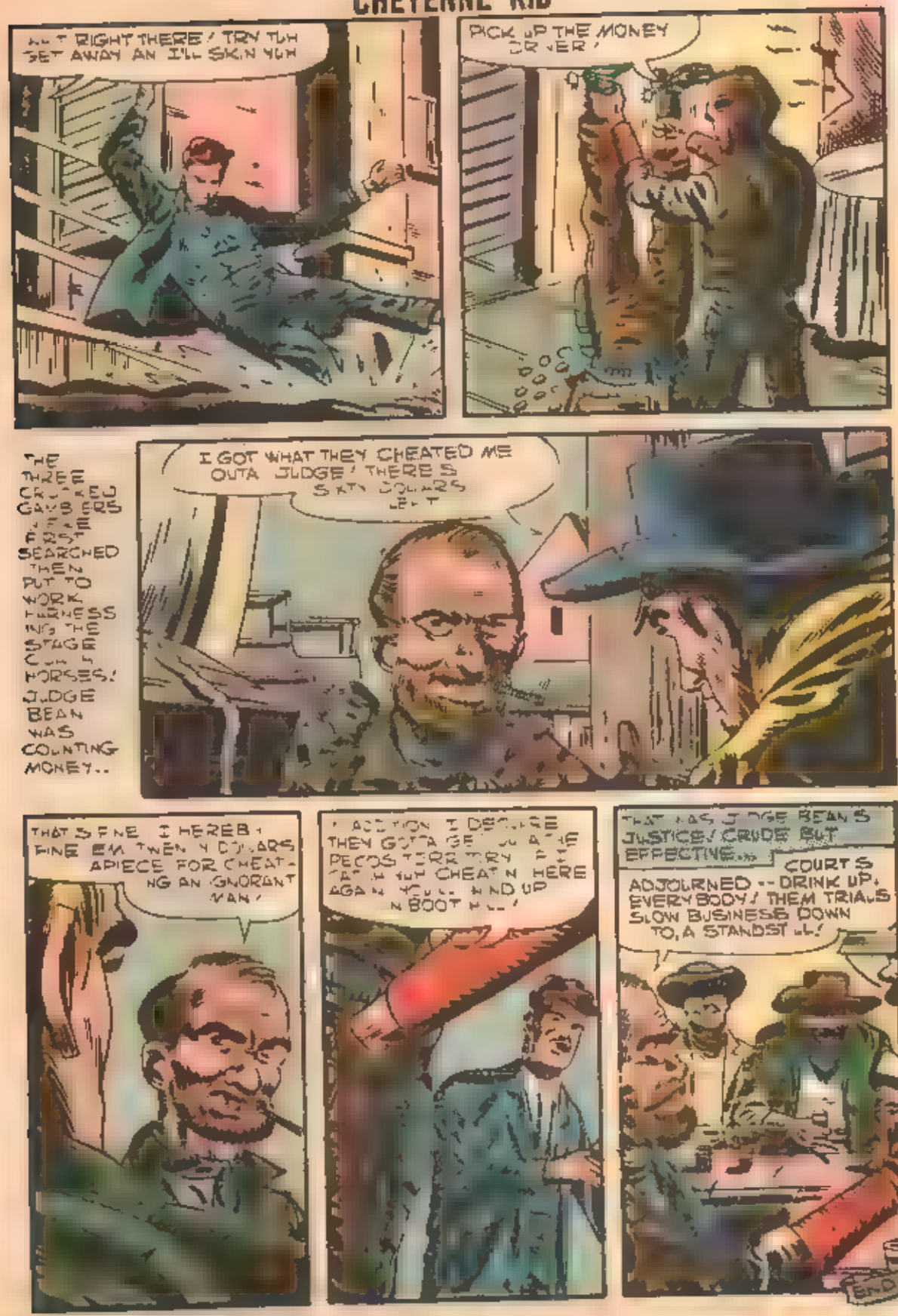

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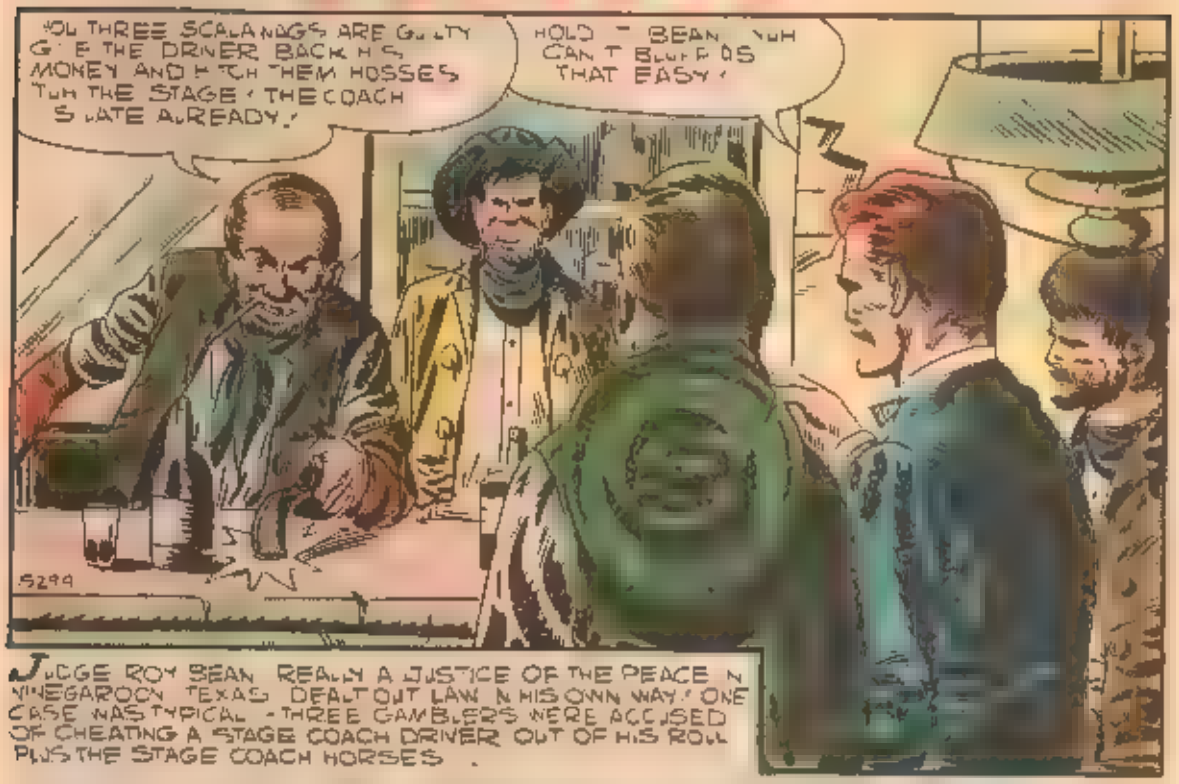
JUDGE BEAN'S JUSTICE



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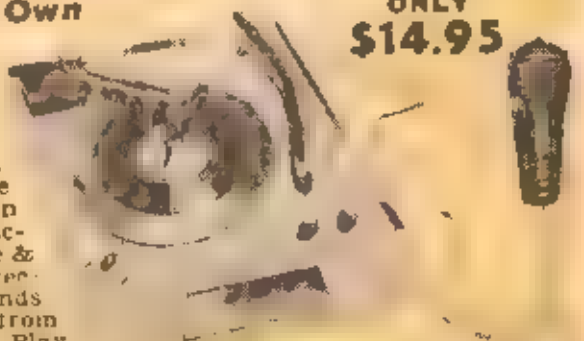

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YUH'RE GOIN' TUH JAIL, SLOANE! YORE SIDEKICKS TOO!
IT'S THE CHEYENNE KID! GET 'IM!
THIS IS MORE LIKE IT, GENTS.
THE GUNFIGHT WAS SHORT.. AND WHAT WAS LEFT OF SLOANE'S GANG DIDN'T MAKE ANY TROUBLE.
YUH WIN THIS POT CHEYENNE! WHAT'RE YUH GONNA DO?
PUT YOU CRITTERS IN JAIL, THEN I'M GOIN BACK TO THAT INJUN CAMP!
I KNEW YUH HAD AN ANGLE! YUH'LL GET THE GOLD YORESELF!
THEY CAN KEEP THE GOLD! I LENT THE CHIEF MY BEST NECKERCHIEF FOR HIS ARM! I WANT IT BACK!
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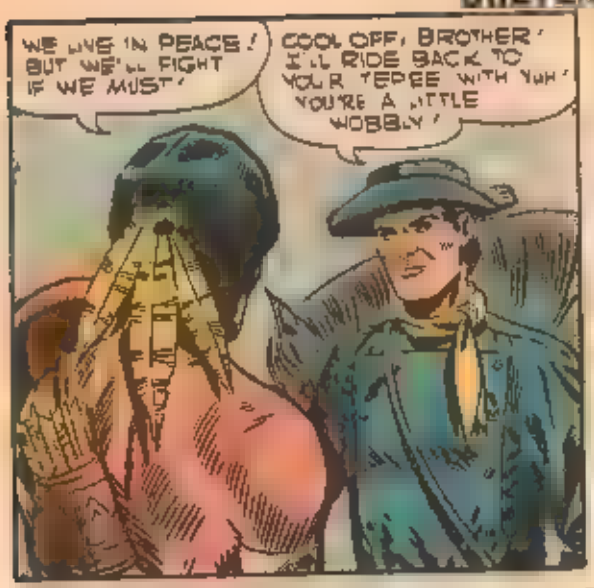
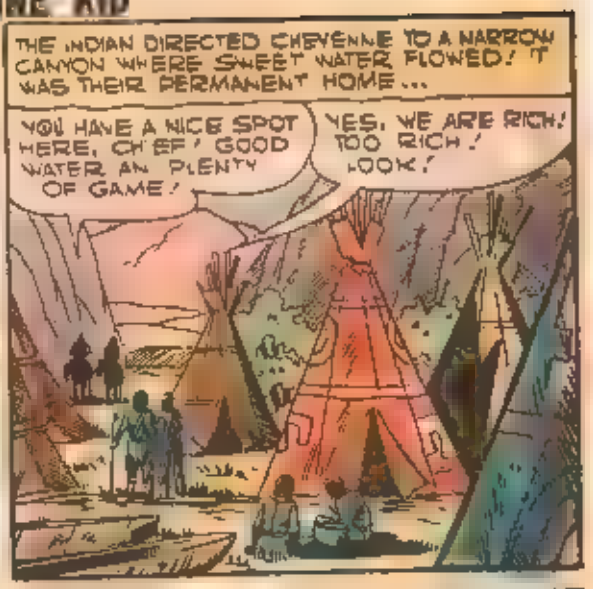
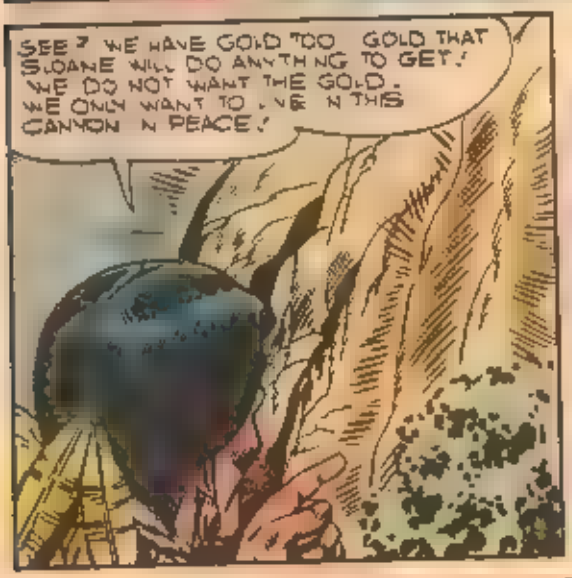
CHEYENNE KID

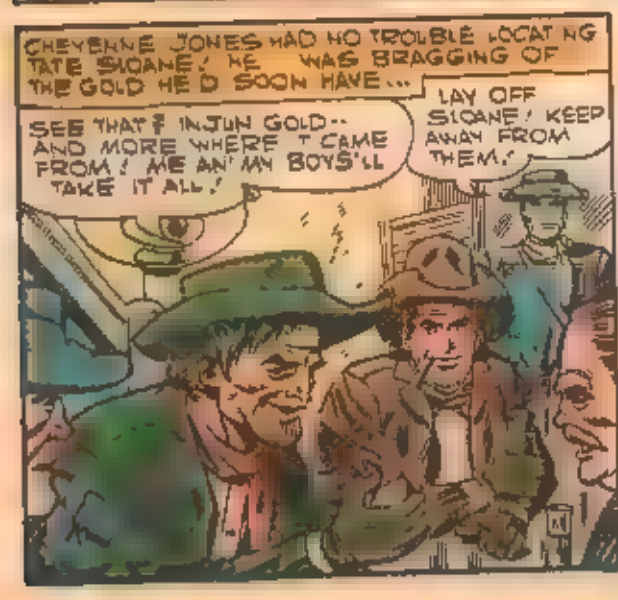
SLOANE WENT FOR HIS GUN BUT CHEYENNE DISREGARDED HIM. HE TURNED AND..
I'LL GET THIS ONE FIRST!
NOW IT'S YOUR TURN, SLOANE!
DON'T GO NEAR THE INDIAN VILLAGE, SLOANE! THEY'LL BE WAITIN' FOR YOU IF YUH GO!
WE'LL HANDLE 'EM CHEYENNE, AND YOU TOO. MY GUN HAND AIN'T RUINED.
THE CHEYENNE KID KNEW HE'D FAILED. SLOANE WAS DETERMINED TO GET THE INDIAN GOLD VEIN FOR HIMSELF...
THERE THEY GO--ON THEIR WAY TO ROB THE INDIANS! I'D BETTER RIDE AHEAD AND WARN 'EM.
THE INDIANS HAVE NO GUARDS POSTED! THEY WILL AFTER I TELL 'EM ABOUT SLOANE!
MY INJUNES KEPT ME IN MY TEPEE LIKE SQUAW! OTHER BRAVES GONE HUNT BUFFALO! WHY?
BECAUSE TATE SLOANE AND HIS GANG RE HEADED THIS WAY! THEY WON'T STOP AT ANYTHING!

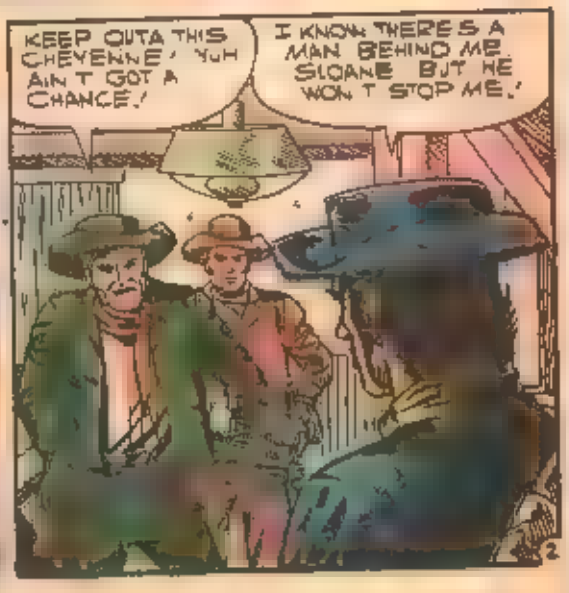

WE LIVE IN PEACE! BUT WE'LL FIGHT IF WE MUST!
COOL OFF, BROTHER! I'LL RIDE BACK TO YOUR TEPEE WITH YUH! YOU'RE A LITTLE WOBBLY!


THE INDIAN DIRECTED CHEYENNE TO A NARROW CANYON WHERE SWEET WATER FLOWED! IT WAS THEIR PERMANENT HOME...
YOU HAVE A NICE SPOT HERE, CHIEF! GOOD WATER AN PLENTY OF GAME!
YES, WE ARE RICH! TOO RICH! LOOK!


SEE? WE HAVE GOLD TOO GOLD THAT SLOANE WILL DO ANYTHING TO GET! WE DO NOT WANT THE GOLD. WE ONLY WANT TO LIVE IN THIS CANYON IN PEACE!

I'LL TALK TO SLOANE -- I'LL GET YOUR TRINKETS BACK AND ASK HIM TO KEEP AWAY! ADIOS, BROTHER!

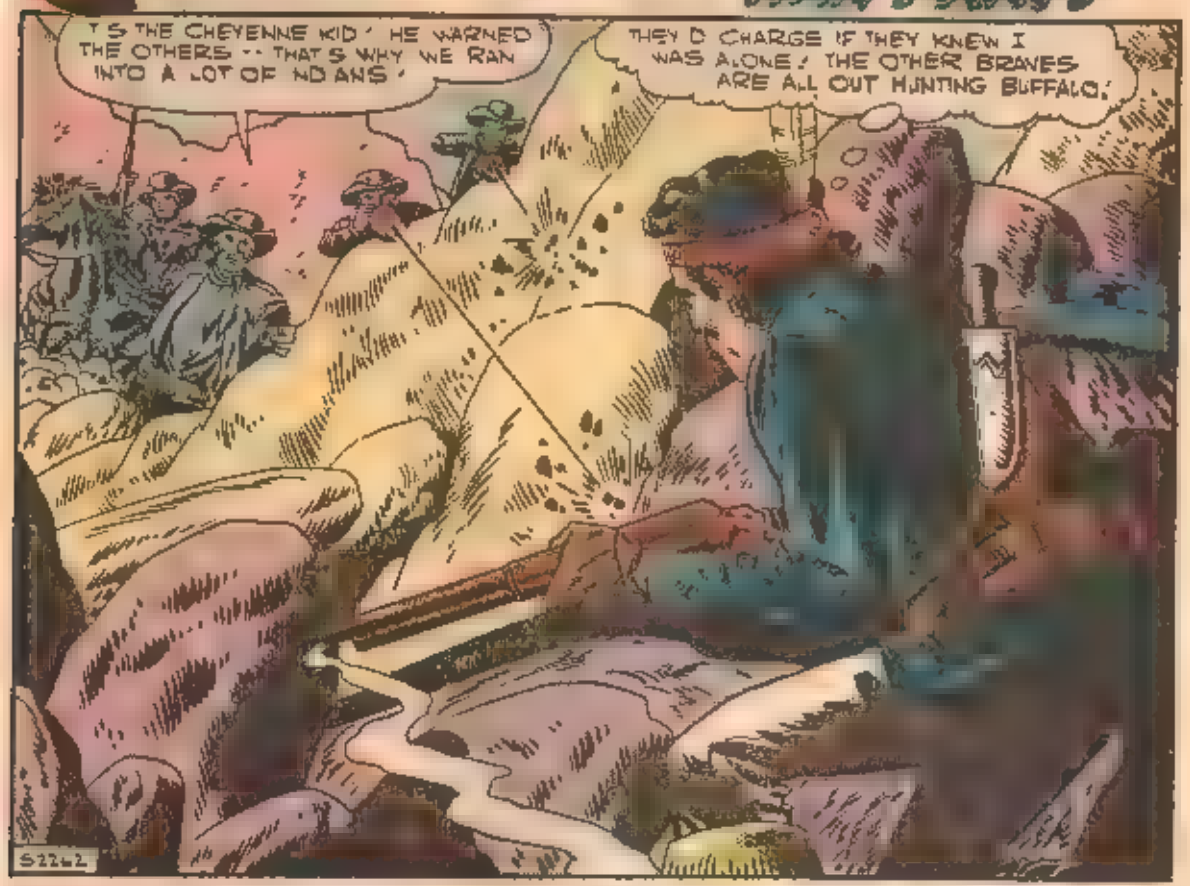

CHEYENNE JONES HAD NO TROUBLE LOCATING TATE SLOANE! HE WAS BRAGGING OF THE GOLD HE'D SOON HAVE...
SEE THAT? INJUN GOLD-- AND MORE WHERE IT CAME FROM! ME AN' MY BOYS'LL TAKE IT ALL!
LAY OFF SLOANE! KEEP AWAY FROM THEM!

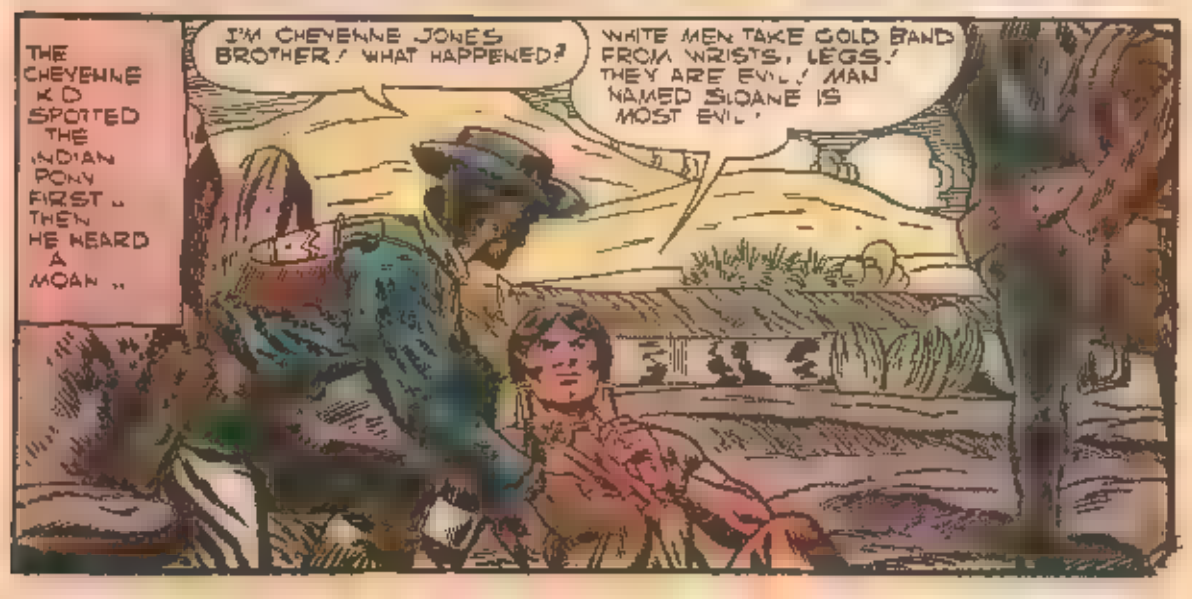

KEEP OUTA THIS CHEYENNE! YUH AIN'T GOT A CHANCE!
I KNOW THERE'S A MAN BEHIND ME, SLOANE BUT HE WON'T STOP ME!

CHEYENNE KID

LATE SLOANE'S GUNSLINGERS HAD SEEN THE GOLD ... AND THEY KNEW THE BRAVES WERE OUT HUNTING BUFFALO! IT SEEMED A SIMPLE MATTER TO RUSH THE CAMP... UNTIL THEY RAN INTO CHEYENNE JONES...

THE ONE MAN WAR PARTY





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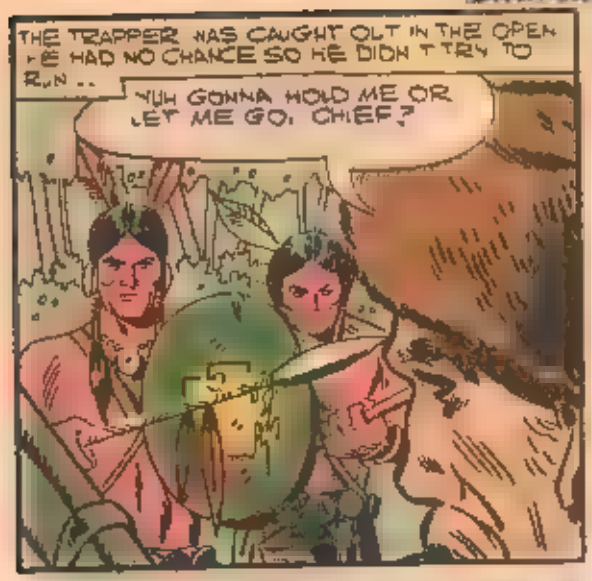

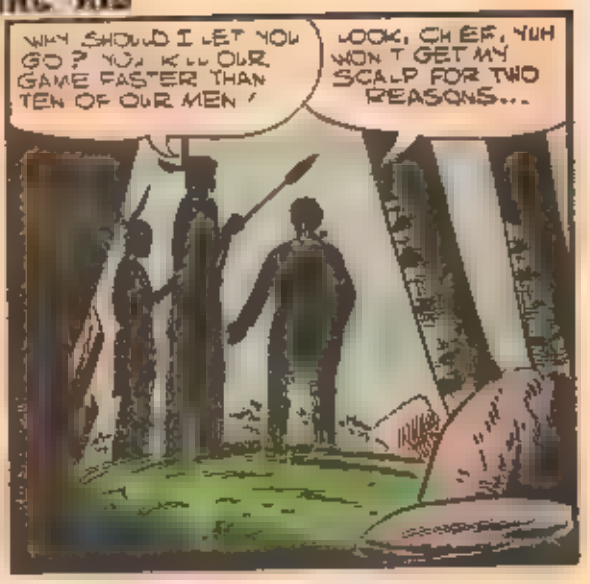

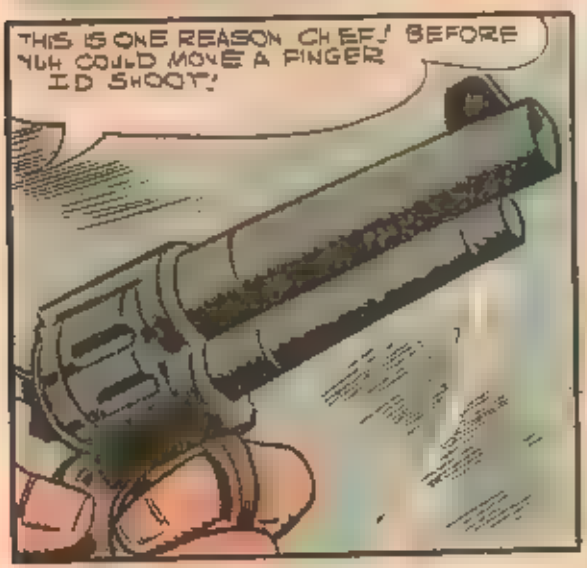

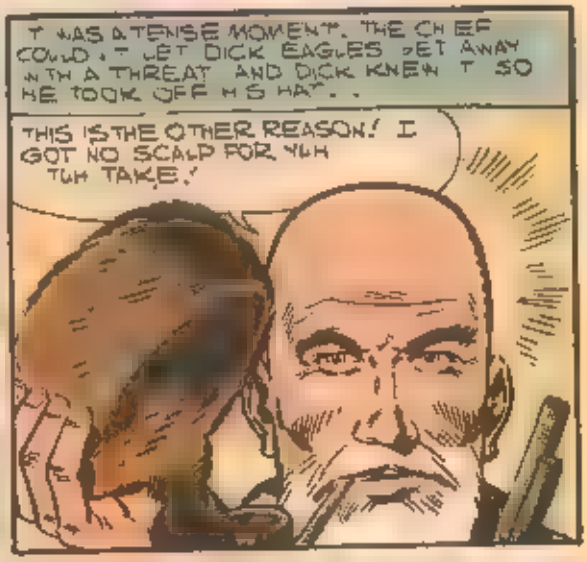

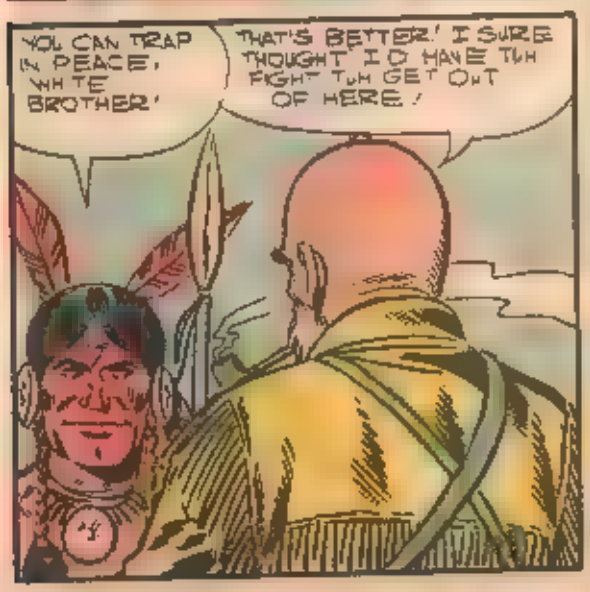

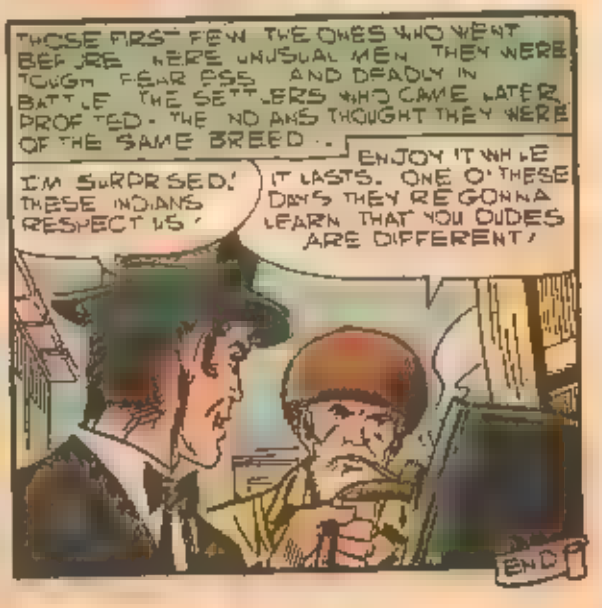

CHEYENNE KID

THEY WENT BEFORE

BEFORE THE SETTLERS ROLLED WEST BEFORE THE RA-ROADS EVEN BEFORE THE EXPLORERS RECORDED THE DETAILS WEST OF THE M SSISS PP... THE LONG KNIVES WERE THERE, TRAPPING THE BEAVER AND OTTER, LIVING ALONE N CONSTANT DANGER AND LOVING IT!

COME ON, BOYS, CLIMB! I'LL THROW YUH DOWN AGAIN WHEN YUH GET THIS FAR! AN' THEN, I'LL DISAPPEAR INTO THIN AIR LIKE I ALWAYS DO

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TELL YORE CHIEF I'LL SEE HIM WHEN I'M READY!

DICK EAGLES WAS ONE OF A HANDFUL...MEN WHO FEARED NEITHER THE COUNTRY NOR THE INDIANS...

THE INJUNS ARE PURTY THICK AROUND HERE! I RECKON I'D BETTER MOSEY NORTH TUH THE BIG HORN A WHILE!

CHEYENNE KID

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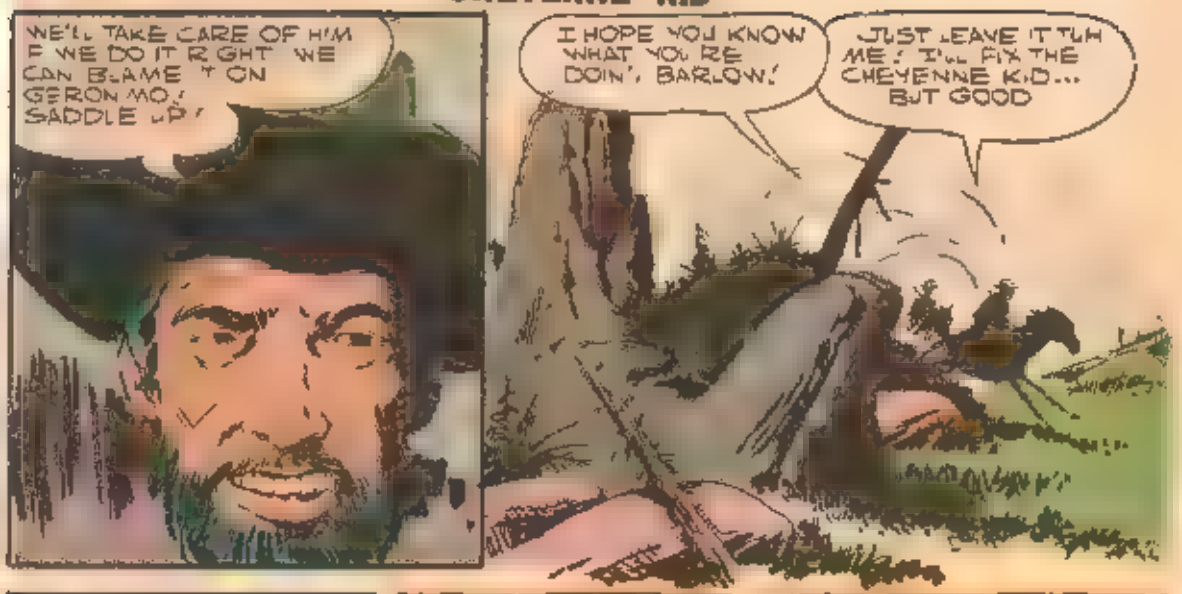
HERE IS BIG BEAR. HE S OUR BEST WRESTLER!
EXCEPT FOR YO, HUH, CHEF? OKAY I'LL GIVE HIM A WHIRL!
WATCH HIM CHEYENNE. HE S FULL OF WILE
THE INDIANS KNEW SOME FATAL FLAWS THE CHEYENNE KID HAD OVERLOOKED BUT THEY WERE GROWN UP LEARNING THEM ALL
HUP..YUH BETTER LIGHT EASY AN' START RUNN N, BIG BEAR
YEEOWWW!
I'LL DONE CHEYENNE PERHAPS CHIEF SHOULD BE WARNED OF THE APACHE
I'D RATHER BE PEACE CHIEF GERONIMO. THERE S MORE OF A FUTURE IN IT.
THE CHEYENNE KID ATE AND SLEPT IN THE CAMP! GERONIMO WELCOMED HIS FRIENDSHIP AND CHEYENNE KNEW DID ALERT TROUPE OF EN...
TWO MEN OFFERED FOOD. WHEN I REACHED TO TAKE IT THEY STRUCK ME WITH THE R 'GUNS! THE TALL ONE SHOT AT ME AS THEY LEFT!
HEAR HIM CHEYENNE WHAT SAY YOU WHITE MAN?

CHEYENNE KID



GERONIMO WON'T GO BACK ON HIS WORD! HE'S AN HONORABLE MAN!
HE MIGHT CHEYENNE. HERE'S MY PLAN -- YOU GO BACK TO GERONIMO, WITH YOU AROUND TO REMIND HIM HE'LL REMEMBER HIS PROMISE OF PEACE!
COLONEL, YUH KNOW THEM ROCKS ARE FULL OF APACHES PAINTED FOR WAR! SOME OF THEM MIGHT DISOBEY GERONIMO AND JUMP ME
I KNEW HE'D BACK DOWN! THE CHEYENNE KID IS JUST A BLOWHARD AFTER ALL!
TAKE IT BACK FANCY-PANTS OR I'LL MOP UP THIS FORT WITH YUH
I TAKE IT BACK, CHEYENNE! I WAS JOKING!
PERHAPS I WAS HASTY ASKING YOU THAT! FORGET IT CHEYENNE
NO, COLONEL! I'LL GO! I CAN PROBABLY DO MORE GOOD OUT THERE WITH GERONIMO!
AN ASSOCIATE WITH NICER PEOPLE! I DON'T MEAN YOU, COLONEL
THE WORD SPREAD THAT THE CHEYENNE KID WAS RIDING OUT ALONE! TWO MEN DIDN'T LIKE THE NEWS! THEY WERE INDIAN TRADERS BARLOW AND PASCH...
HEAR THE NEWS, MIKE? THAT CHEYENNE KID'S BAD FOR BUSINESS!
YEAH BARLOW! WE CAN'T NEEDLE THE APACHE INTO WAR WITH HIM AROUND!

CHEYENNE KID

GERONIMO'S CHALLENGE

THE APACHES HAD ELECTED GERONIMO WAR CHIEF OF ALL THE TRIBES -- HE WAS THE FIERCEST OF THEM ALL IN BATTLE! HE BOASTED THAT HE COULD BEAT ANY WARRIOR IN ANY TRIBE IN COMBAT, USING ANY WEAPON THEY CHOSE! AND HE ALWAYS WON, UNTIL HE CHALLENGED THE CHEYENNE KID!

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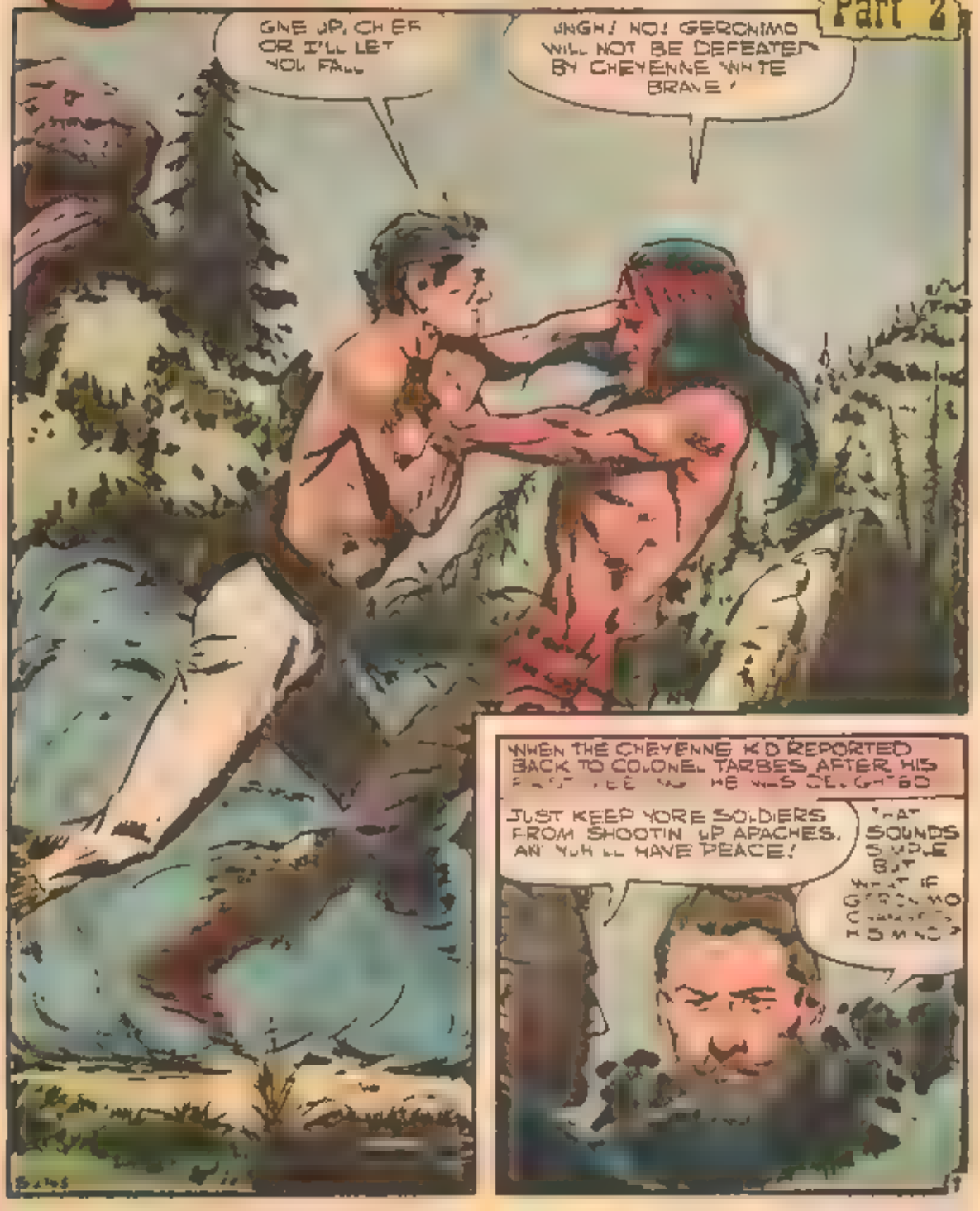

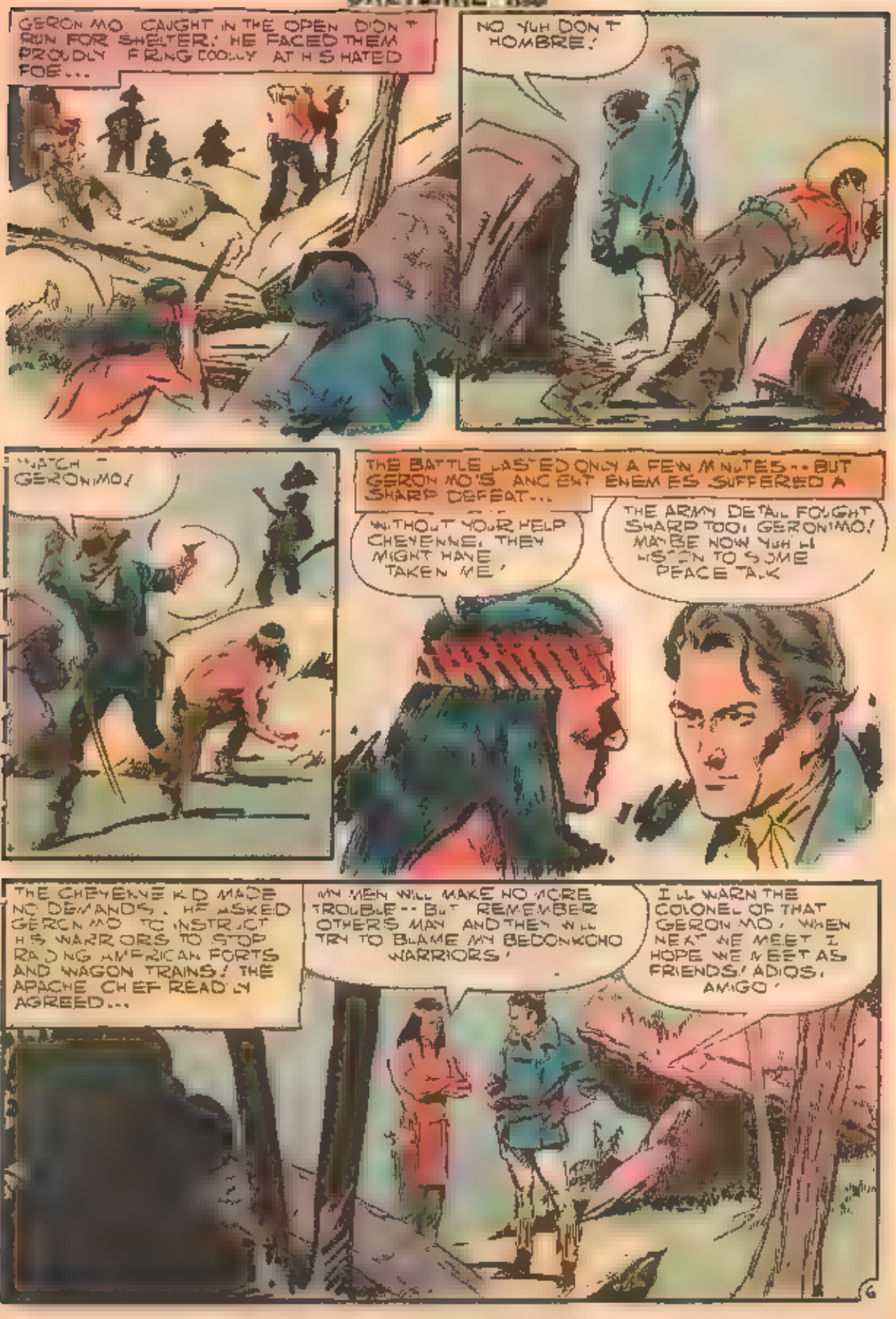
GERONIMO CAUGHT IN THE OPEN DON'T RUN FOR SHELTER! HE FACED THEM PROUDLY FLINGING COOLLY AT HIS HATED FOE...
NO YUH DON'T HOMBRE!
WATCH IT GERONIMO!
THE BATTLE LASTED ONLY A FEW MINUTES -- BUT GERONIMO'S ANCIENT ENEMIES SUFFERED A SHARP DEFEAT...
WITHOUT YOUR HELP CHEYENNE, THEY MIGHT HAVE TAKEN ME!
THE ARMY DETAIL FOUGHT SHARP TOO! GERONIMO! MAYBE NOW YUH'LL LISTEN TO SOME PEACE TALK
THE CHEYENNE KID MADE NO DEMANDS. HE ASKED GERONIMO TO INSTRUCT HIS WARRIORS TO STOP RAIDING AMERICAN FORTS AND WAGON TRAINS! THE APACHE CHIEF READILY AGREED...
MY MEN WILL MAKE NO MORE TROUBLE -- BUT REMEMBER OTHERS MAY AND THEY WILL TRY TO BLAME MY BEDONKOHO WARRIORS!
I'LL WARN THE COLONEL OF THAT GERONIMO, WHEN NEXT WE MEET I HOPE WE MEET AS FRIENDS! ADIOS, AMIGO!
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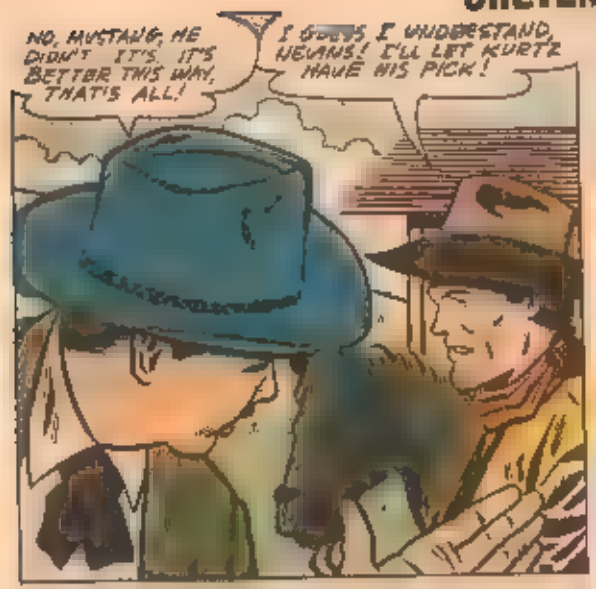

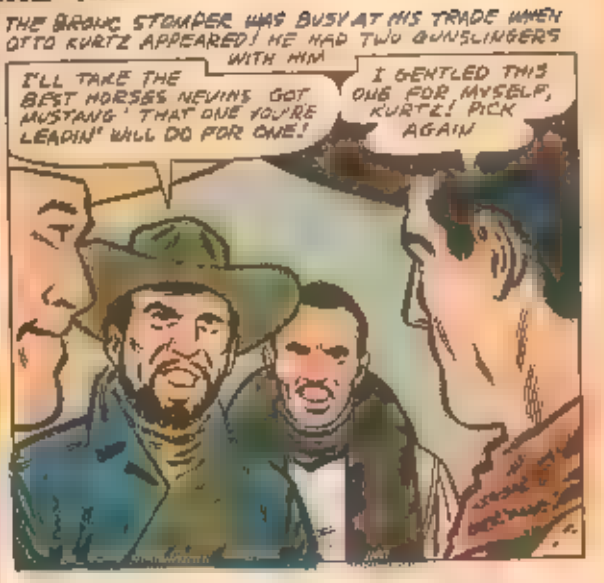

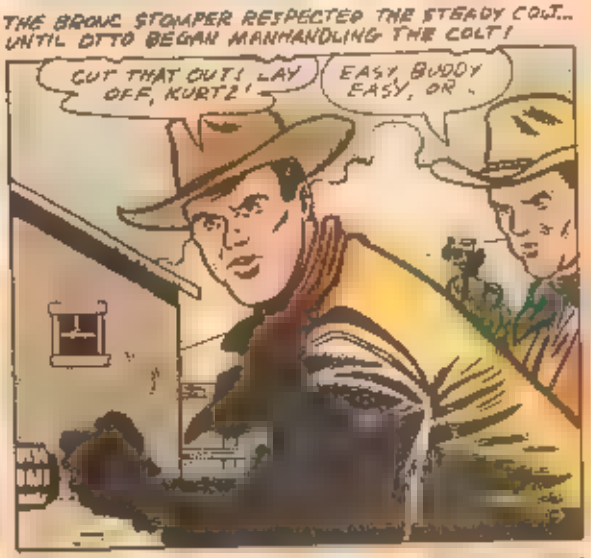

I MEANT IT.
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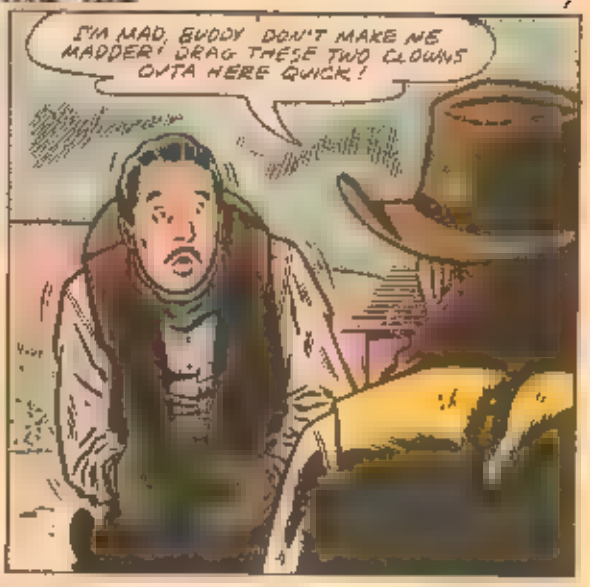
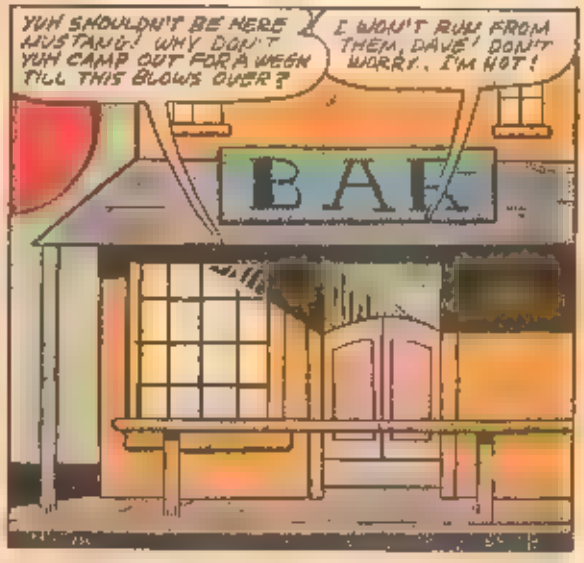

I'M MAD, BUDDY DON'T MAKE ME MADDER! DRAG THESE TWO CLOWNS OUTA HERE QUICK!

THE WORD SPREAD FAST. THE BRONK STOMPER HAD ROUGHED UP OTTO KURTZ AND HIS MEN! HIS FATE WAS CERTAIN!
NOW, DAVE, MAT BRONK STOMPER WON'T HAVE A CHANCE! YOU'VE GOT TO BUY KURTZ OFF LIKE YUH ALWAYS DO!
IT'S NO USE! I SPOKE TO HIM ALREADY! HE'S AFTER MUSTANG'S HIDE!


YUH SHOULDN'T BE HERE MUSTANG! WHY DON'T YUH CAMP OUT FOR A WEEK TILL THIS BLOWS OVER?
I WON'T RUN FROM THEM, DAVE! DON'T WORRY.. I'M HOT!
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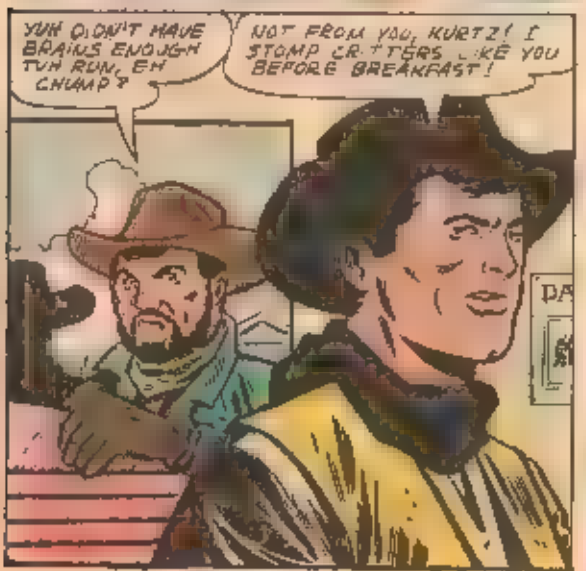
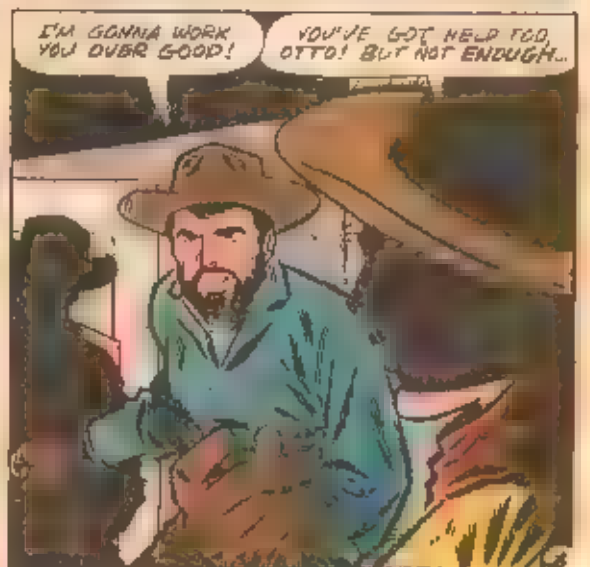
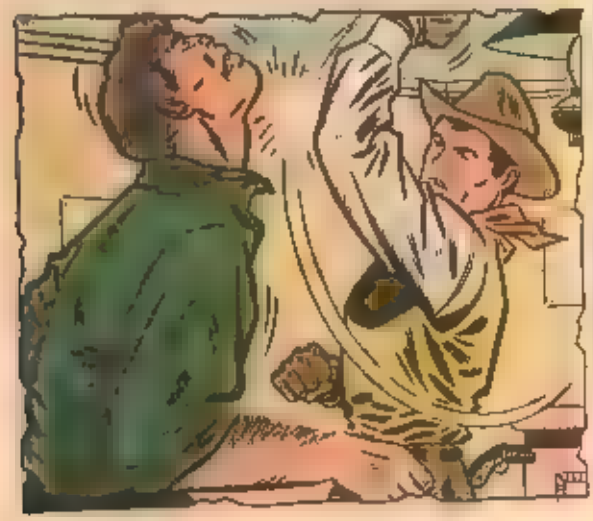

YUH DON'T HAVE BRAINS ENOUGH TUH RUN, EH CHAMP?
NOT FROM YOU, KURTZ! I STOMP CRITTERS LIKE YOU BEFORE BREAKFAST!

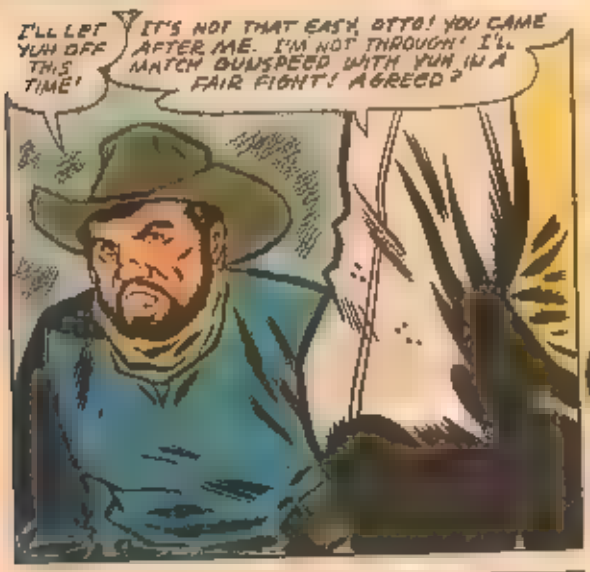

I'M GONNA WORK YOU OVER GOOD!
YOU'VE GOT HELP TOO, OTTO! BUT NOT ENOUGH..

ONE OF OTTO'S MEN HAD A DERRINGER COCKED AND READY! MUSTANG WENT FOR HIM FIRST...



I'LL LET YUH OFF THIS TIME!

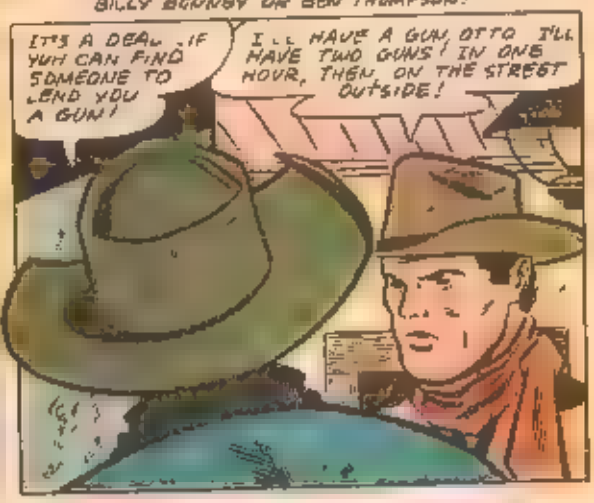
IT'S NOT THAT EASY, OTTO! YOU CAME AFTER ME. I'M NOT THROUGH! I'LL MATCH GUNSPEED WITH YUH IN A FAIR FIGHT! AGREED?



OTTO KURTZ KNEW HE WAS FAST...FASTER THAN ANYONE HE'D EVER SEEN WITH THE EXCEPTION OF MEN LIKE BILLY BONNEY OR BEN THOMPSON!

IT'S A DEAL...IF YUH CAN FIND SOMEONE TO LEND YOU A GUN!

I'LL HAVE A GUN, OTTO. I'LL HAVE TWO GUNS! IN ONE HOUR, THEN, ON THE STREET OUTSIDE!



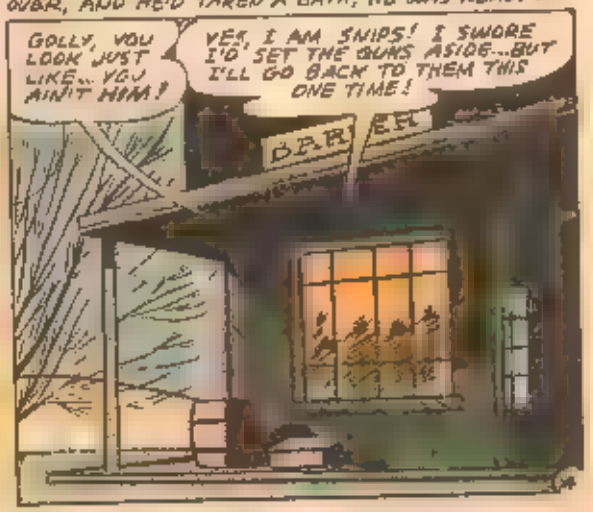
WHERE YUH GOIN', BOY? RUNNIN' OUT?

I'LL BE HERE! EXCUSE ME... I'VE GOT SOMETHING TO DO!

THE RAGGED BRONC STOMPER DISAPPEARED! AND ONE HOUR LATER, AFTER A BARBER HAD WORKED HIM OVER, AND HE'D TAKEN A BATH, HE WAS READY!

GOLLY, YOU LOOK JUST LIKE... YOU AIN'IT HIM!

YES, I AM SNIPS! I SWORE I'D SET THE GUNS ASIDE...BUT I'LL GO BACK TO THEM THIS ONE TIME!



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WESTERN WINKERS

CUSTER'S GATLINGS

WHEN GENERAL GEORGE CUSTER'S ENTIRE TROOP WAS ANNIHILATED AT LITTLE BIGHORN IN 1876, HIS HEADQUARTERS HAD FOUR 90LB. GATLING GUNS ON HAND. THESE WEAPONS HAD A RATE OF FIRE OF 1000 ROUNDS A MINUTE...

THEY WERE DESIGNED TO BE FIRED FROM HORSE-BACK OR GROUND-(WITH TRI-POD). HAD CUSTER TAKEN WITH HIM ONE OF THE FOUR THAT WERE AVAIL-ABLE, ... "CUSTER'S MASSACRE" WOULD HAVE HAD A REVERSE MEANING.

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CHEYENNE KID

in WHITE INDIAN RAID

THE CHEYENNE KID STAYED ON WITH THE APACHE! GERONIMO HIMSELF WAS DETERMINED TO LEARN WHICH OF THEM WAS THE BETTER MAN! AND THE APACHE WARRIORS PLAYED ROUGH!

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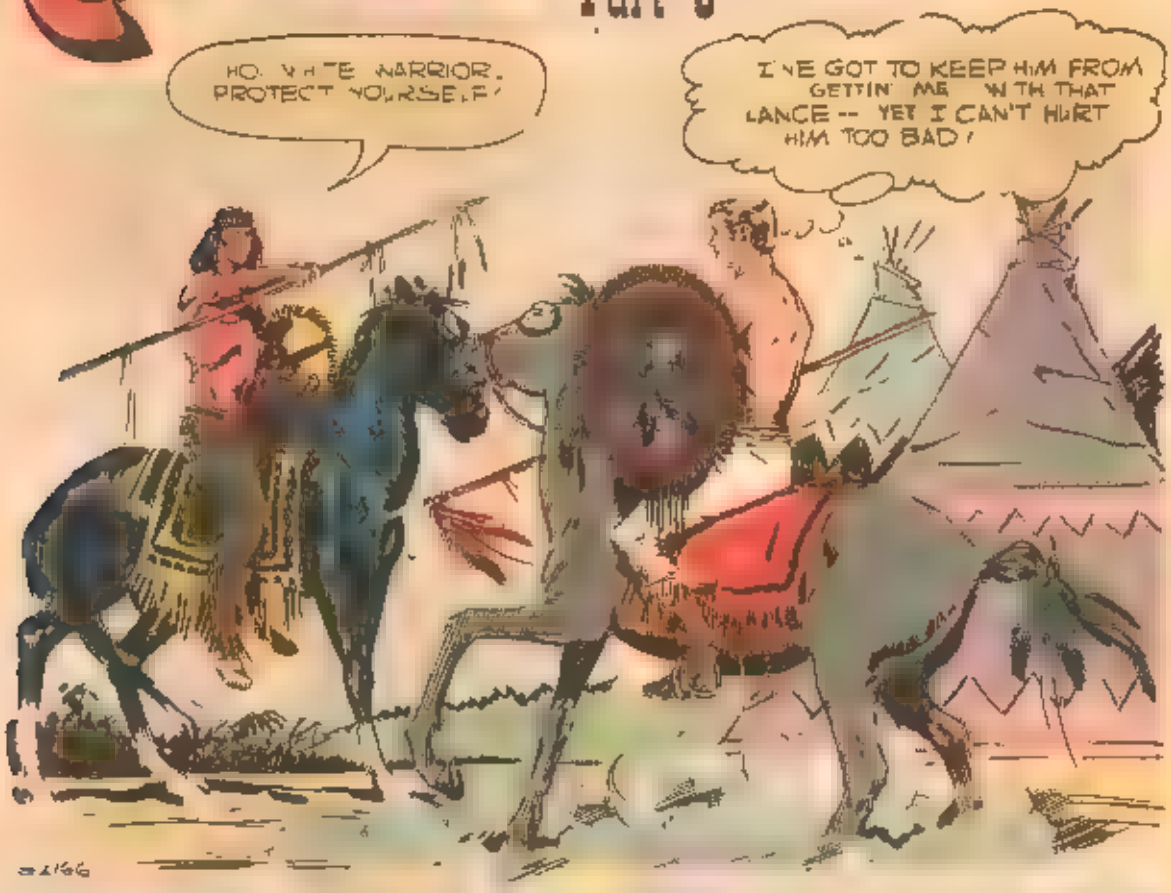
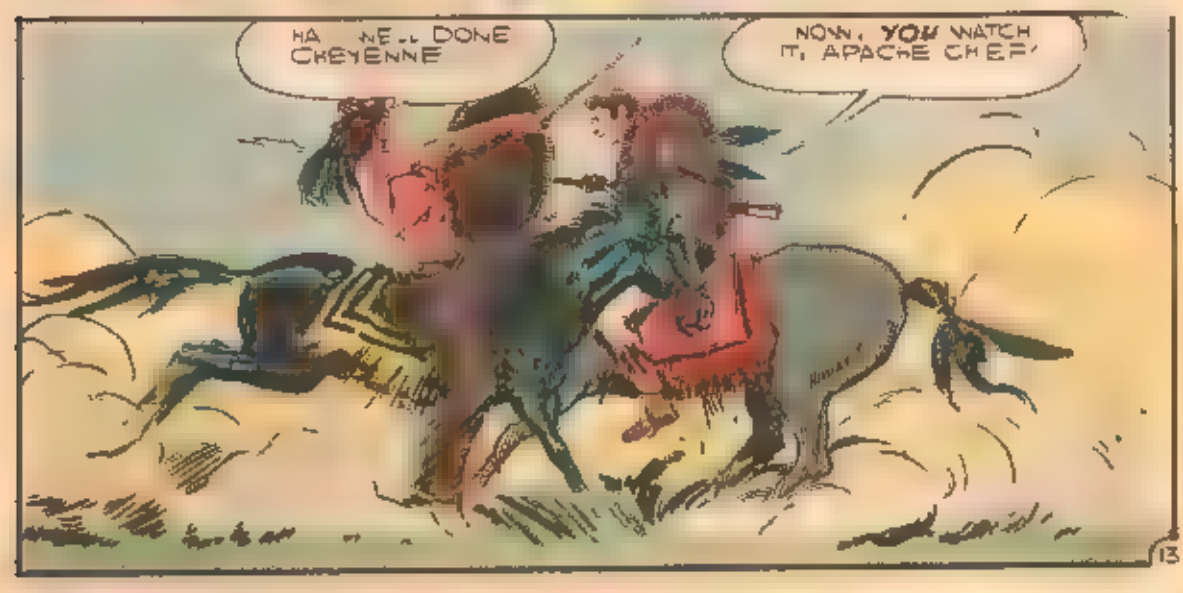
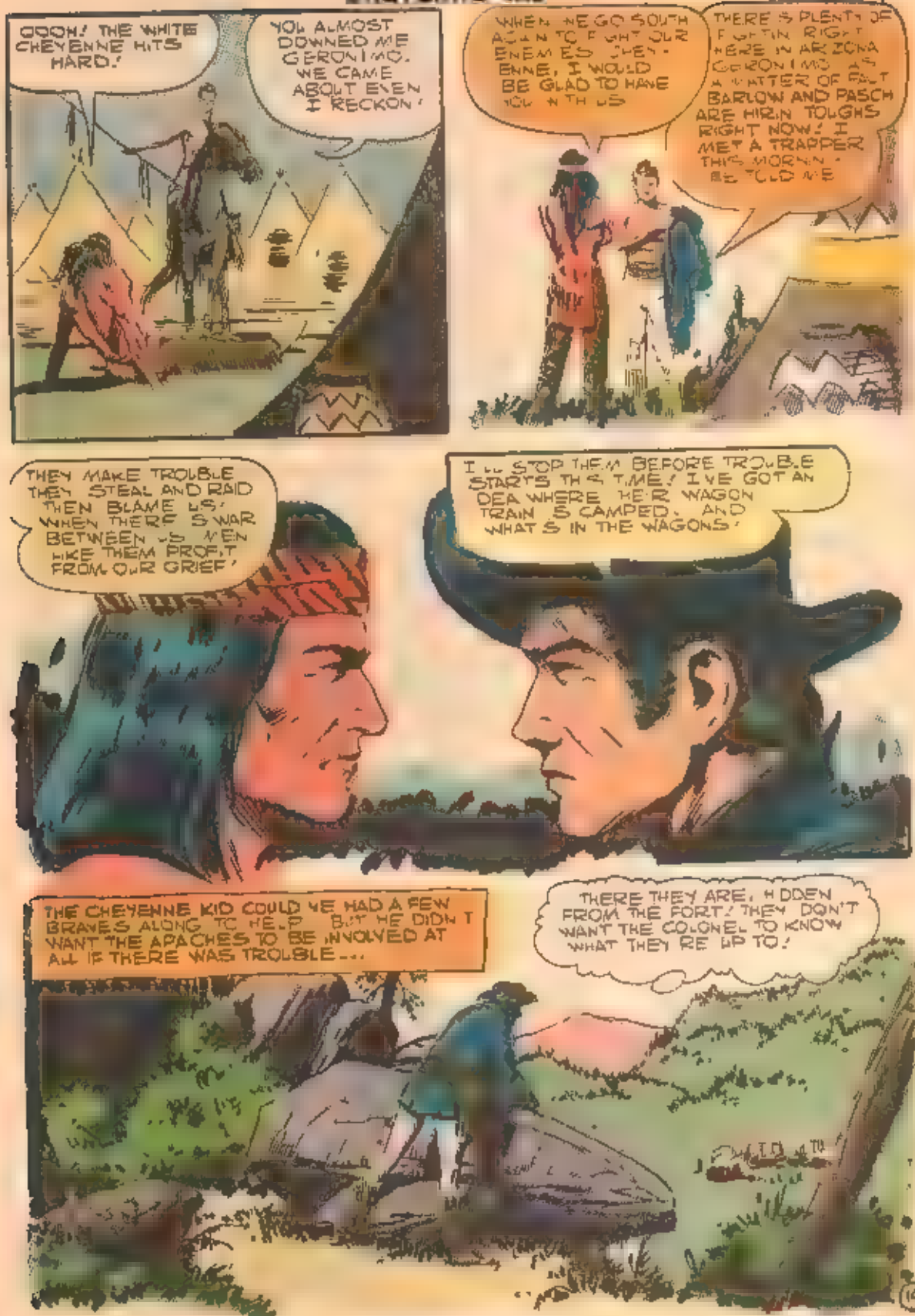
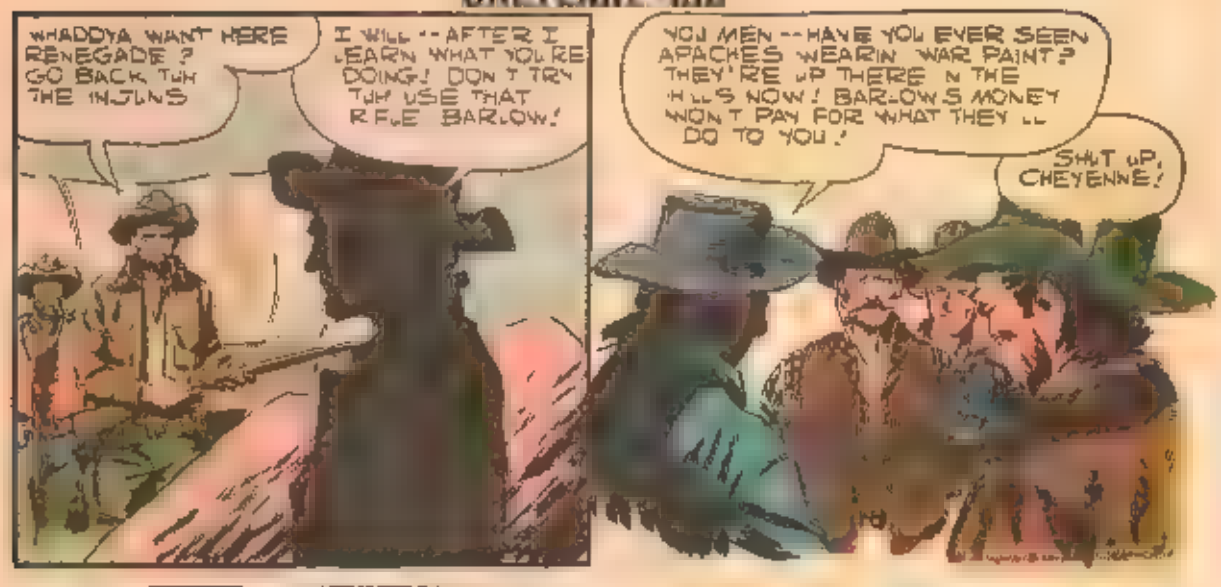
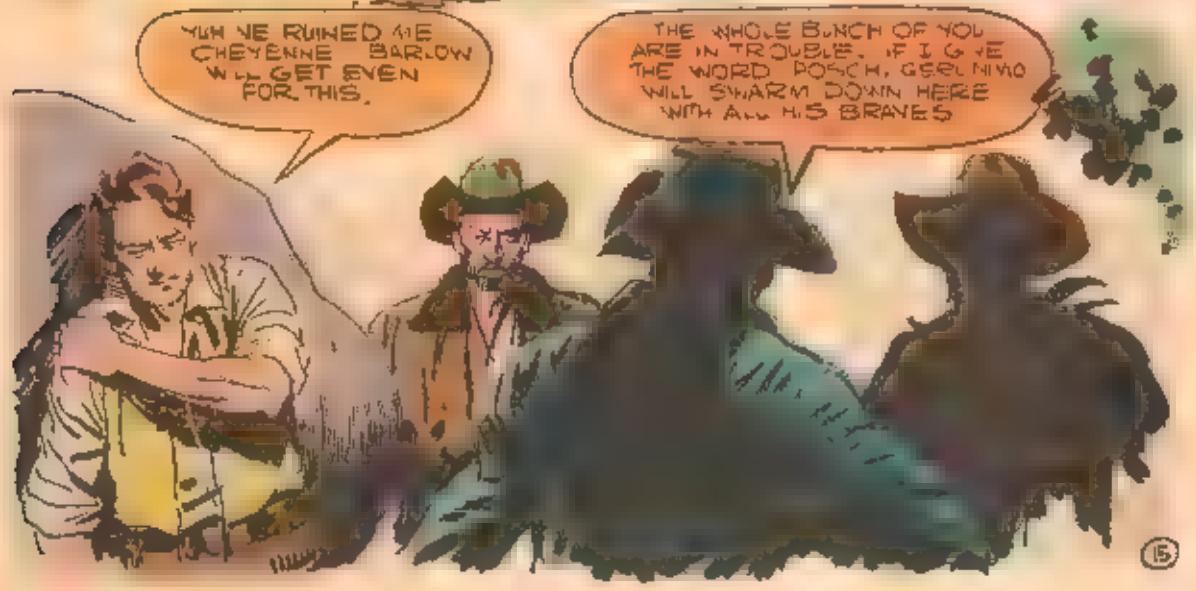




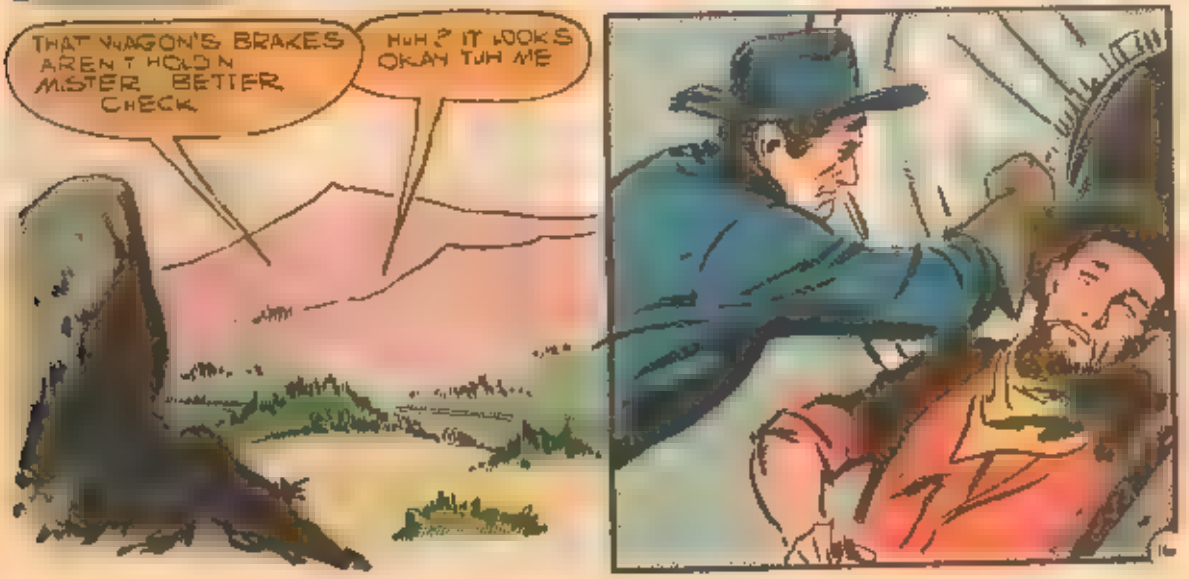

OOOH! THE WHITE CHEYENNE HITS HARD!
YOU ALMOST DOWNED ME GERONIMO. WE CAME ABOUT EVEN I RECKON!
WHEN WE GO SOUTH AGAIN TO FIGHT OUR ENEMIES THEY. ENNE, I WOULD BE GLAD TO HAVE YOU WITH US
THERE'S PLENTY OF FIGHTIN RIGHT HERE IN ARIZONA GERONIMO AS A MATTER OF FACT BARLOW AND PASCH ARE HIRIN TOUGHS RIGHT NOW! I MET A TRAPPER THIS MORNIN. HE TOLD ME
THEY MAKE TROUBLE THEY STEAL AND RAID THEN BLAME US. WHEN THERE'S WAR BETWEEN US MEN LIKE THEM PROFIT FROM OUR GRIEF
I'LL STOP THEM BEFORE TROUBLE STARTS THIS TIME! I'VE GOT AN IDEA WHERE HER WAGON TRAIN IS CAMPED. AND WHAT'S IN THE WAGONS
THE CHEYENNE KID COULD'VE HAD A FEW BRAVES ALONG TO HELP BUT HE DIDN'T WANT THE APACHES TO BE INVOLVED AT ALL IF THERE WAS TROUBLE...
THERE THEY ARE. HIDDEN FROM THE FORT! THEY DON'T WANT THE COLONEL TO KNOW WHAT THEY'RE UP TO!



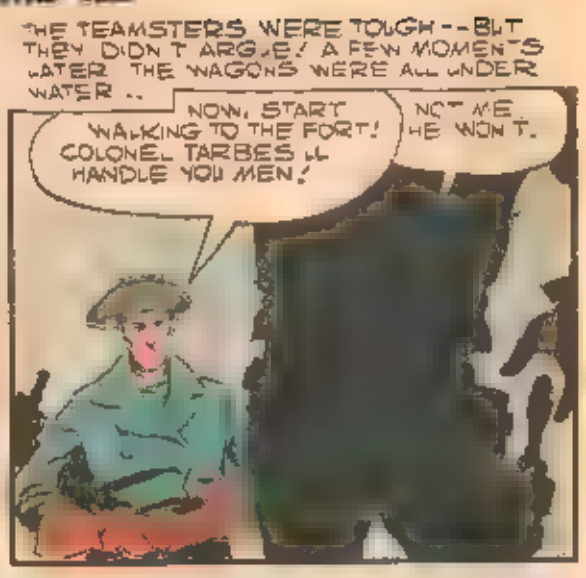
ZEKE PASCH HAD MADE A REPUTATION FOR HIS GUNSPEED... BUT THE CHEYENNE KID WAS FASTER -- AND HE DON'T MISS.

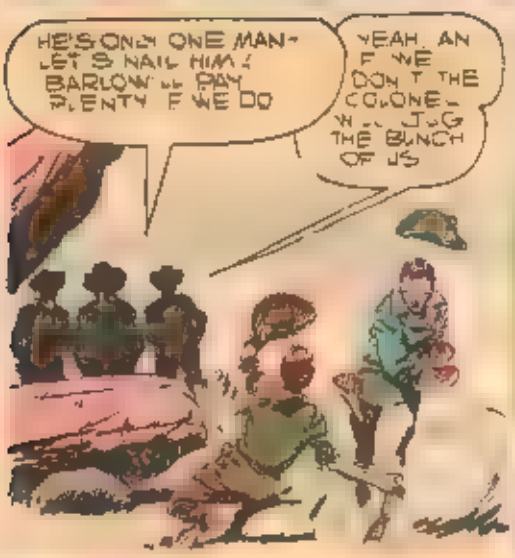


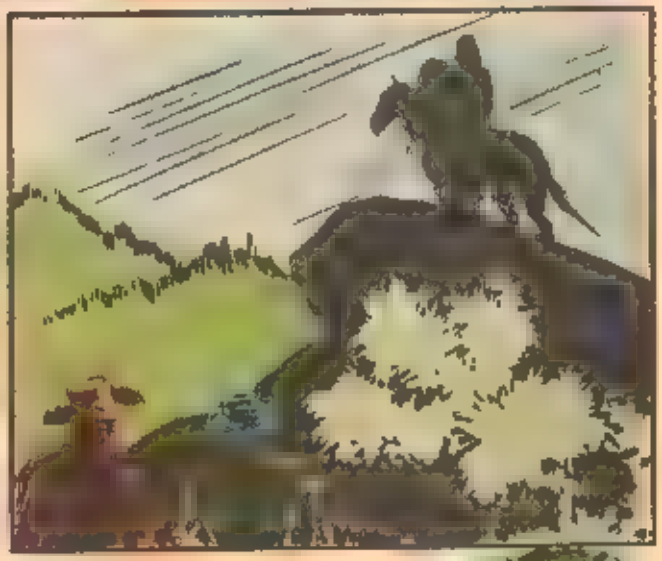
BARLOW'S PLAN WAS CLEVER ENOUGH -- HE AND FOUR OF HIS MEN PUT ON BREECH CLOUTS AND WAR PAINT! THEY WERE GOING TO STAGE AN APACHE RAID --



TAKE THE BRAKES OFF THE WAGONS... PUSH 'EM INTO THE STREAM! IT'S DOWNHILL.


THE TEAMSTERS WERE TOUGH--BUT THEY DIDN'T ARGUE! A FEW MOMENTS LATER THE WAGONS WERE ALL UNDER WATER..
NOW, START WALKING TO THE FORT! COLONEL TARBES'LL HANDLE YOU MEN!
NOT ME. HE WON'T.


HE'S ONLY ONE MAN-- LET'S NAIL HIM! BARLOW'LL PAY PLENTY IF WE DO
YEAH. AN IF WE DON'T THE COLONEL'LL JUG THE BUNCH OF US



WATCH 'EM, GERONIMO! THEY'RE ALL BUSHWHACKERS
THEY'RE ALL COWARDS! WHERE IS BARLOW, THEIR LEADER?

HE'S GONE YUH RAID BROWN'S RANCH. LET'S STOP 'EM.
THE APACHE RAID WAS ALREADY UNDER WAY WHEN CHEYENNE AND GERONIMO ARRIVED. KEVIN BROWN, THE ONLY MAN PRESENT, WAS WOUNDED
HOLD IT BARLOW. SHOOT AT ME. I'M ARMED!
THE CHEYENNE KID ESCORTED BROWN AND BARLOW BOTH WOUNDED, TO THE FORT. PASCH AND THE TEAMSTERS HAD COME TO THEMSELVES THEY WERE AFRAID NOT TO - GERONIMO'S BRAVES WERE OUT THERE.
I THOUGHT IT WAS AN APACHE RAID AT FIRST! BUT IT WAS HIM!
THIS IS WHAT THE CHEYENNE KID MEANT WHEN HE WARNED ME. YOU AND YOUR MEN WILL GO TO PRISON BARLOW
WHAT ABOUT YOU? WHAT CAN I DO FOR YOU, CHEYENNE?
KEEP YOUR WORD WITH GERONIMO! LET HIM AND HIS BRAVES LIVE IN PEACE, COLONEL. KEEP DOLLAR CHASIN' CROOKS OUT OF THIS TERRITORY! I'VE GOT TO RIDE COLONEL! ME AN' GERONIMO ARE GOIN' FISHIN'!
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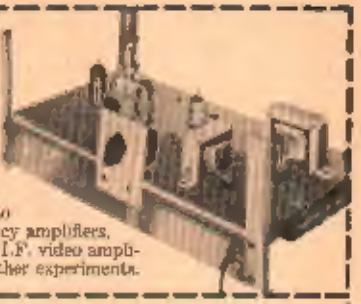

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